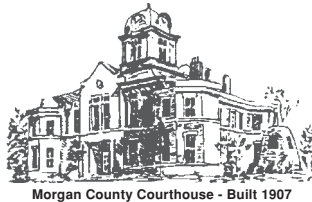


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School Board OK's tentative 07-08 budget

Teachers get extra \$3,000, classified employees get a 5 percent wage increase

By Miranda Cantrell James

The Morgan County Board of Education held a special meeting Monday, Jan. 29, to approve a tentative budget for the 2007-2008 school year, with teachers and classified employees receiving wage increases.

Superintendent of Schools Joe Dan Gold outlined the plan Tuesday morning.

"Teachers will receive a \$3,000 raise, and classified employees will receive a 5 percent raise," Gold said. "Classified benefits such as retirement will also be going up 3 percent."

Gold said the budget projected a \$700,000-\$900,000 increase in revenues, and a \$600,000-\$800,000 increase in expenses.

"Most of these expenses are related to salary increases," Gold said. "The school year will also be two days longer at 177 days instead of 175 days. It was necessary for board members to discuss this tentative budget before Jan. 31."

In other business, board members approved a non-resident student contract among Morgan, Magoffin and Johnson counties.

"This means that students from here can attend Magoffin and Johnson county schools and vice versa," Gold said. "We don't know if anyone is planning to utilize this contract yet, but it could be convenient for Morgan County parents who may work, etc. in these counties."

The board also discussed a proposal from Morgan County High School Baseball Coach Brandon Evans to establish a baseball team at Morgan County Middle School.

"This age group normally plays in the county Little League system," Gold said. "We are currently working with MCMS Principal Darren Sparkman to start a team, and hopefully Brandon will also continue to assist with this effort."

Board members before adjournment also declared several outdated computers and monitors technology surplus items.



Victor McGuire, left, of Ezel, likes to use this 1961 Oliver 500 farm tractor that has been refurbished by his son, David. Mr. McGuire owned one like it in the 1960s and 70s. David, shown below with his dad, said he acquired and refurbished the tractor primarily because of the fond memories it brings back. "It's like going back forty plus years in time."

Fiscal Court audit report is released

FRANKFORT, Ky., Jan. 24 — State Auditor Crit Luallen has released the audit of the financial condition of the Morgan County Fiscal Court for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006. State law requires annual audits of county fiscal courts.

The audit found that the county's financial statements, in all material respects, fairly present the county's assets, liabilities, and equity arising from cash transactions and revenues received and expenditures paid in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting.

The Auditor noted no instances of noncompliance. The Auditor also noted no matters involving internal control over financial reporting and its operation that were considered to be material weaknesses.

The audit noted that the county's net assets as of June 30, 2006, totaled \$14,272,427 with a net of unrestricted assets of \$300,712. The largest component of the county's assets is capital assets (buildings, property, roads, road improvements, bridges, property improvement, vehicles and equipment used to provide services to citizens) totaling \$19,409,000.

Total revenue, including the \$181,000 collected in property taxes, totaled \$4,776,203. Expenses totaled 4,368,141.

The audit noted that total revenues decreased \$271,000 from 2005 to 2006, mainly due to a decrease in available state grant monies.

At the same time total expenditures increased by \$58,000 from 2005 to 2006, driven by increases in several categories, the report said.

The County Judge Executive is required by law to submit estimated receipts and proposed expenditures to the fiscal court by May 1 of each year. The budget is prepared by fund functions and activity and is required to be adopted by the fiscal court by July 1.

The fiscal court may change the original budget by transferring appropriations at the activity level; however, the court may not increase the total budget without approval by the State Local Finance Officer. Expenditures may not exceed budgeted appropriations at the activity level.

The audit report, in its entirety, can be accessed on the Internet at www.auditor.ky.gov and is on file at the County Judge Executive's Office.

The McGuire 500, a trip back in time

"I had many fond memories of Dad using that tractor, and wished that I could somehow get it back." So wrote David McGuire of Ezel in a story that was featured in the Januray-February issue of Hart Parr Oliver Collector, a farm machinery magazine popular with hobbyists.

McGuire, who is employed at Brown's West Liberty Ford, said, "As closely as I could, I was able to fulfill that dream."

Recently, he bought another 1961 Oliver 500 tractor, the same model as the tractor his dad, Victor McGuire of Ezel, bought in 1962 and owned for

several years. Finding it mechanically sound, McGuire went to work getting it restored. "A fresh coat of paint and a set of decals from Dumont's Decals, and it was ready to roll," McGuire said.

It turns out that the spiffy "new" 500 had also been locally owned by the late Ova Amyx of Grassy Creek, who purchased it at about the same time Victor McGuire bought his. McGuire and Amyx both bought their tractors from Camargo Tractor Sales in Camargo, where the dealer, Lonnie Amburgey, made his own front bumpers for the 500 mod-



els.

David McGuire recalls that when his dad's Oliver caught fire and burned in the field in 1975, Mr. Amburgey, who did business with and was respected by farmers throughout this

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Stacy assigned to choice committee seats in House

When the Kentucky General Assembly convenes this month, State Rep. John Will Stacy, D-West Liberty, will again assume chairmanship of the important House Budget Review Subcommittee on Education.

Stacy, who was reelected to his 71st District seat without opposition in November, also is a member of the powerful House Appropriations and Revenue Committee and will serve on the House Rules, State Government, and Economic Development committees.

Committee assignments were announced during the legislature's 2007 organization meeting last month, during which Stacy narrowly lost a bid for the position of House Democrat Whip.

The 71st Legislative District represented by Stacy includes all or parts of Morgan, Menifee, Rowan, and Wolfe counties.

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Emergency sirens, ENoS System test times announced

The West Liberty Police E-911 Communications Department announced this week that it will conduct tests of newly-installed warning systems in West Liberty and Ezel on the second Wednesday of each month at 4:45 p.m.

The sirens will be utilized for tornado warnings and to alert residents of other potentially threatening occurrences or events.

To be tested at the same time will be the ENpS Emergency Notification System. This system allows communications center staff to preempt all Adelphia Cable System programming with voice messages in the event of emergencies.

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—Agree Or Not—

Bills Focus on Math, Science

Prompted by Ky. High Schools' Disgraceful Record of Teaching Subjects

By Todd Duval

While Democrats last week were falling over one another outside the Secretary of State's office to file papers to run for governor this year, the Senate Republican leadership quietly unveiled an education initiative that could be the most important legislation to pass the 2007 General Assembly session.

Two separate bills are aimed at major improvements in Kentucky students' math and science skills and the quality of teachers who instruct them in math and science courses.

Senate Bill 1 and Senate Bill 2 are expected to be filed when the General Assembly returns to the Capitol Feb. 6.

The two pieces of legislation provide for grants of \$10,000 to individual schools as incentive to offer advanced-placement classes in calculus, chemistry and physics. Teachers will be eligible for a bonus of \$10,000 a year above their salary when their calculus, chemistry and physics students score high on advanced-placement tests.

Teachers also will be able to increase their salaries for scoring high on teacher-certification tests in those fields. And students from low-income families who do well on advance-placement math and science tests will receive more scholarship money when they go on to college.

The bills are being sponsored by Senate Majority Leader Dan Kelly and Sen. Ken Winters, chairman of the Senate Education Committee. Senate President David Williams supports them.

In an ideal world, state government would not have to offer financial incentives which are nothing more than bribes to the schools to offer top-level math and science courses. Nor would the best and brightest math and science graduates need financial inducements (bribes) to teach those courses instead of using their talents elsewhere. Students in that ideal world would line up to take tough advanced-placement calculus, physics and chemistry courses.

This is not that ideal world and certainly not in Kentucky's public schools. That disgraceful percentage of high school graduates who require remedial math

McGuire 500 ...

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area, bought it back and stripped it for repair parts to be used in his service department.

Only 1,648 Oliver 500 models were made, and McGuire said he has been invited to enter his showpiece at a vintage tractor show in Indiana this spring.

He said his dad also purchased several new Oliver implements when he bought the 500 back in 1962, and he still has most of them. "We have refurbished them to go with the tractor — a hay wagon, a sickle mower, and a 14-inch, two bottom plow. An Oliver manure spreader that went with the tractor is soon to be refurbished.

David said his dad still drives the tractor on occasion "and it looks just like going back in time forty plus years."

"I can remember when I was a little boy waiting for Dad to come in on the tractor, many times after dark, after a day's work in the field. Those are fond memories," he said. They make the time he spent locating, acquiring, and restoring the rare old Oliver 500 well worth the effort, he said.

Writing the story for the magazine was easy, David said. "It was from the heart."

4-H Horse Club to meet Feb. 13 at extension ofc.

The 4-H Horse Club will meet 6 p.m. Feb. 13, at the Morgan County Extension Office. The 4-H Horse Club is open to any Morgan County youth ages 9-19 who would be interested in learning more about horse care and safety. For more information, contact Kim Cox at 743-3292.

Split Second
The time between the light changing and the driver behind you honking his horn.

War on terror's other front: cleaning up U.S. pop culture

By Dinesh D'Souza
Reprinted From
The Christian Science Monitor

Anti-Americanism comes in different varieties. The European kind emphasizes the "evils" of "red" America: a shoot-first, ask-questions-later cowboy in the White House, and Bible-toting fundamentalists walking around the corridors of power.

The Muslim variety is very different. Many Muslims point to the "horrors" of "blue" America: homosexual marriage, family breakdown, and a popular culture that is trivial, materialistic, vulgar, and in many cases, morally repulsive.

This latter view is dangerously — and justifiably — common in many traditional cultures across the globe. Because it feeds their perception that American values are inimical to their way of life, this attitude can blossom into the kind of anti-American pathology that partly fueled the 9/11 attacks. Any serious effort to shore up American's security must include steps to edify American culture.

Reacting To A Distorted Projection

Both the European and Muslim brands of anti-Americanism, of course, are focused only on one side of America. They are reacting not so much to America per se as to the often distorted projections of U.S. policy and culture across the globe. Americans know that there is a big difference between U.S. pop culture and the way they actually live. But most foreigners do not. The America they see in movies and on television is often the only one they know.

Critics of globalization complain that the U.S. is corrupting the world with its multi-national corporations and its trade practices. But surveys such as the Pew Research Center studies of world opinion show that non-Western peoples are generally pleased with American products.

In fact, the people of Asia, Africa and the Middle East want more American companies, more American technology and more free trade. Their objection is not to McDonald's or Microsoft, but to America's cultural values.

These sentiments are felt very keenly in the Muslim world. As an Iranian from Neishapur told journalist Afshin Molavi, "People say we want freedom. You know what these foreign-inspired people want? They want the freedom to gamble and drink and bring vice to our Muslim land. This is the kind of freedom they want.

Muslim critics of American culture are quick to concede its fascination and attraction, especially to the young. Some time ago, I saw an interview with a Muslim sheikh on TV. The interviewer told the sheikh, "I find it curious and hypocritical that you are so anti-American, considering that two of your sons are living and studying in America."

The sheikh replied, "But this is not hypocritical at all. I concede that American culture is appealing. If you put a young man into a hotel room and give him dozens of pornography tapes, he is likely to find those appealing as well. What America appeals to is everything that is low and disgusting in human nature."

The most powerful of all the American offenses recited in the lands of Islam, argues preeminent Middle East expert Bernard Lewis, "is the degeneracy and debauchery of the American way of life."

A major reason why some Muslims focus their anger on the United States is because it is American culture — not Swedish culture or French culture — that is finding its way into every nook and cranny of Islamic society.

Cultural Blowback

There is a cultural blowback against America that is coming from all the traditional cultures of Africa, South America, the Middle East and Asia. This resistance is summed up in a slogan used by Singapore's former prime minister, Lee Kuan Yew: "Modernization without Westernization." What this means is that traditional cultures want prosperity and technology, but they do not

fitter, healthier you. Start today. There were six Coroner calls for the month of January. So, if you don't want me to be the last person you see in this life, then get out there and do something about it.

I hope Earl puts this column next to the Judge's Corner. If he does, then next month I'll put my picture in right beside Tim's. He ain't the only one that can have a corner. Next month we'll talk about drugs and how they affect the people of Morgan County. I love Morgan County and I hope what I'm trying to do will be acceptable to the readers of the Licking Valley Courier....Until next time, Breathe in Breathe out!

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want the values of American culture.

The Islamic radicals are the most extreme and politically mobilized segment of this global resistance, and they are recruiting innumerable ordinary Muslims to their proclaimed jihad against the values America represents. The radicals have been remarkably successful in convincing traditional Muslims that America represents a serious threat to the Islamic population.

In one of his post-9/11 propaganda videos, Osama bin Laden said that Islam faces the greatest threat it has faced since the time of Muhammad. How could he possibly think this? Not because of U.S. troops that were in Saudi Arabia. Not even because of Israel. The threat bin Laden is referring to is an infiltration of American values and mores into the lives of Muslim, transforming their society and destroying their traditional values and religious beliefs.

Even the term "Great Satan" so commonly used to denounce America in the Muslim world, is better understood when we recall that in the traditional understanding, shared by Judaism, Christianity and Islam, Satan is not a conqueror; he is a tempter. In one of its best-known verses, the Koran describes Satan as "the insidious tempter who whispers into the hearts of men."

Are The Radical Muslims Right?

These concerns prompt a startling thought: Are the radical Muslims right? Surely, some American parents can at least sympathize. Consider the profane language on prime-time TV, or the salacious themes so prevalent in movies and music. Need I even mention the vulgarity of some rap lyrics, or the Jerry Springer and Howard Stern shows?

The Muslim indictment extends to "high culture" to liberal culture that offers itself as refined and sophisticated. In America, Eve Ensler's play, "The Vagina Monologues" has won rave reviews and generated a pop culture phenomenon. But if its in-your-face focus on female genitalia makes some Americans uncomfortable, just imagine the reaction the performance and accompanying book is getting abroad, in places such as China, Turkey, Pakistan and Egypt. Can foreigners be blamed for feeling defiled

by this American export?

To many American liberals, pop culture reflects the values of individuality, personal autonomy and freedom of expression. Thus, it is seen as a moral achievement. But viewed from the perspective of people in the traditional societies of the world, these same trends appear to be nothing less than the shameless promotion of depravity.

So it is not surprising to see pious Muslims react with horror at the prospect of this new American morality seeping into their part of the world. They rightly fear that this new morality will destroy their religion and life.

So what should America do about this? First, it must recognize the global implications of the culture wars. Indeed the culture war and the war on terror are linked. The restoration of America's culture will be a moral boost to its children — and it will help the nation's image abroad.

As a practical matter, of course, such a cultural restoration will not be easy. At the very least, it is a task that will take decades.

The best we Americans can do is to show Muslims, and traditional people around the world, the "other America" that they often do not see. Bush and his administration spokespersons should in their speeches do more

to highlight the values of conservative and religious America. They should not be afraid to speak out against American cultural exports that are shameless and corrupting.

Moreover, we should do what we can to stop the export of debased American values abroad. In the United Nations, for example, America should work with Muslims, Hindus, Buddhists and others to block the efforts of leftist groups around the world who promote radical feminism, homosexuality, prostitution and pornography as "rights" under international law. Instead, the U.S. should align itself with social decency and traditional family values.

As citizens, we should not hesitate to tell traditional Muslims and others that there are many of us who are working to reverse the tide of cultural depravity in our society and around the world.

By proclaiming our allegiance to the traditional values of Judeo-Christian society, we can reduce the currents of anti-Americanism among the Muslims, and thus undercut the appeal of radical Islam to traditional Muslims around the world.

• Dinesh D'Souza's latest book, "The Enemy at Home: The Cultural Left and Its Responsibility for 9/11," was published this month. He is the Rishwain Fellow at the Hoover Institution.



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CIRCUIT COURT
New civil cases – Black Acre Enterprises, LLC vs. Melinda Debush, Jan. 22; Asset Acceptance LLC vs. Douglas P. Keeton, Jan. 22; David K. Ferguson vs. Linda L. Smith et al, Jan. 23; Patricia G. Price Adams vs. Terry Lee Adams, Jan. 23; Ronald Sanders vs. LVRECC, Jan. 24; Carla Keeton vs. Donald Roy Keeton, Jan. 24.

DISTRICT COURT
New civil cases – World Finance Corp. vs. Gladys M. Lewis, Jan. 22; Lovell Gibbs vs. Sandra L. Cantrell, Jan. 22; Capital One Bank vs. Johnny Cassity, Jan. 22; Velocity Investments LLC vs. Kimberly Blevins, Jan. 22; Midland Funding LLC vs. Judy Keaton Keeton, Jan. 22.

New small claims cases – Morgan Chevrolet-Pontiac-GMC Truck vs. Michael Burling, Jan. 24.

CLARIFICATION
The Keith Davis who was listed as a defendant in last week's court news is not Keith Davis of 1441 Jones Creek Road, West Liberty, Ky.,

ARRAIGNMENTS
Randall E. Banks – theft by deception including cold checks under \$300 (six counts) – pre-trial conference Feb. 6.
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Randall E. Banks and Carlis Wayne Hudson – theft by deception – pled guilty, 365 days.
Tommy D. Chaney – theft by unlawful taking – pled guilty, 365 days.
Amy F. Banks – operating a motor vehicle under the influence of

alcohol/drugs – pled guilty, \$200; failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security – pled guilty, \$500.
Phillip Byrd – disorderly conduct (third degree) – pled guilty, 60 days with conditional discharge.
Trea W. Cantrell – no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security – order entered.
Terry L. Davis – alcohol intoxication in a public place (first and second offense) – pled guilty, \$25.
Wesley T. Harmon – speeding 15 over limit – paid in full.
David M. Jones – fleeing or evading police (first degree), operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs (second offense), driving with DUI-suspended license (second offense), operating ATV on roadway, operating ATV without headgear, failure of owner to maintain required insurance, failure to notify address change to department of transportation – pled not guilty, preliminary hearing Feb. 13.
Daniel E. O'Connor – fleeing or evading police (second degree; motor vehicle) – pre-trial conference Feb. 27.
Matthew Perry – criminal littering, disorderly conduct, menacing – pre-trial conference Feb. 27.
Wesley D. Rhodes Jr. – paid in full.
Tamra L. Robbins – speeding 20 mph over limit – pled guilty, referred to state traffic school.
Verinda L. Rose – failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security – pled guilty, \$500.
Tabetha A. Skaggs – failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance – pled guilty, \$500.
Nicholas Williams – theft by deception including cold checks under \$300 – pled not guilty, pre-trial conference Feb. 6.
Nicholas Williams – theft by deception including cold checks under \$300 – pled not guilty, pre-trial conference Feb. 6.
Pre-trial conference – Charles E. Adkins – possession of alcoholic beverages by a minor – pled guilty, \$25.
Pre-trial conference – Jessica R. Banks – theft by deception including cold checks under \$300 (five counts) – bench warrant issued.
Pre-trial conference – James D. Gevedon Jr. – failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security – rescheduled Feb. 6.
Pre-trial conference – Debra Goodpaster – disorderly conduct –

10 days with conditional discharge.
Pre-trial conference – Danny R. Haney – theft by unlawful taking under \$300 – pled guilty, 365 days with conditional discharge.
Pre-trial conference – Jackie L. Harvey – operating on suspended/revoked operator's license – pled guilty, \$100, 30 days with conditional discharge.
Pre-trial conference – Scottie N. Patrick – operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs, operating an ATV on roadway, operating ATV without headgear – pre-trial conference Feb. 6.
Pre-trial conference – Marlena Phillips – possession of marijuana – bench warrant issued.
Pre-trial conference – Dewey L. Privett – operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs – pled guilty, \$200, 30 days with conditional discharge.
Pre-trial conference – Priscilla Sallie – criminal possession of forged instrument (third degree) – pled guilty 365 days with conditional discharge.
Preliminary hearing – Gerri Leigh Ann McCarty – criminal mischief (second degree), burglary (second degree) – rescheduled Feb. 6.
Preliminary hearing – Kem Risner II – criminal mischief (second degree), burglary (second degree) – rescheduled Feb. 6.
MARRIAGE LICENSES
Randy Williams, Morgan County Court Clerk, has issued the following marriage licenses.
Rebecca L. Williams, 20, of West Liberty, daughter of Doris and Ronald Williams, to R. Andrew Bradley, 24, of West Liberty, son of Beryl Mason and John Bradley.
Courtney Ferguson, 17, of West Liberty, son of Joyce and Garry Ferguson, to Darrell F. Bailey, 25, of Salyersville, son of Carlene and Darrell Bailey.
PROPERTY TRANSFERS
Jean Phipps, Mary Jane Ryan and Thomas, Teresa Glenn and Bobby, Gary Phipps and Joy, John G. Phipps and Betty to Mark Risner and Audrey, 10 acres, more or less, of Wheel Rim Fork, \$5,000.
Mary Kay Mackinnon and Dwaine to Alex P. Baglyos and Hattie, 6 acres, more or less, on Spaws Creek, \$94,000.
Gail Smith to Steven Smith and Charlene, 60 acres, more or less, on Mill Branch, \$3,000.
Steven Smith and Charlene to Darren Sparkman and Carl Thomas Potter II, 60 acres, more or less, on Mill Branch, \$10,000.

•E-911 Director John Conley attended the National Emergency Number Association (TDC/ODC) Technical Development and Operational Development Conference in Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 22, 23, 24. E-911 professionals from all across the United States attend this conference once a year to discuss issues concerning 1-9911. Most of this year's conference centered on (NGE-911), NG-911 is a system comprised of managed IP-based networks and as-

sociated control and database elements that augment present-day E-911 features and functions and add new capabilities. John is a member of the Standard Operational Committee and was selected as the lead person in the committee's working group to address pre-arrival standards for the NGE-911. More information about NENA can be found at www.nena.org

- Arrests**
•Bench warrant
•Alcohol intoxication
- Cases/Investigations Opened**
•Criminal mischief 3rd
•Harassing communications
•Citations issued — 8
•Non injury accidents — 7
•Injury accidents — 0
- E-911 Calls for Service**
County Wide — 121
City — 47

4-H craft workshop set for Tuesday, Feb. 13
There will be a craft workshop offered through 4-H for any youth ages 7-19 at 4-5:30 p.m. Feb. 14. This workshop is free and loads of fun. The youth will have a variety of crafts to make and will be able to use them as decorations or gifts. There will be Valentine-style refreshments offered to the participants. For more information contact Kim Cox at 743-3292.

WORDS OF WISDOM
The very essence of leadership is that you have to have a vision. It's got to be a vision you articulate clearly and forcefully on every occasion. You can't blow an uncertain trumpet.
– Theodore Hesburgh

Fairborn, Ohio
By Debbie Williams Barnett
Jan. 8 – I will begin this week from Christmas Day. Those at Marie Williams's home were Paul and Peggy Stapleton, Danny Williams, Pam Long, Rick Williams, Tony and Beth Williams and Kayla, Christina Bertram, Jennifer Williams, Adam Williams and Kevin, Kendra and Haden Barnett.

Marie was surprised with a new puppy she named Angel Fallen Star. It weighed 2 pounds. Visitors of Ray and Betty Ross were her children, Kathy and husband and children, and Robin and children, and also her daughter, Connie, who has been a great help to her mom since she was released from the hospital.

I would like to send out a very special get well to Mr. Bob Ison. He underwent two surgeries on Dec. 19. His wife, Rela, says she is doing well. Rela is a co-worker of mine at WPAFB Medical Center and is a very special person.
Mr. Fred Rigsby passed away Dec. 28. His funeral was Jan. 3, at Belton Strap Funeral Home in Fairborn, Ohio. He was buried at Byron Cemetery.
Visitors this week at Marie's were Jesse Johnson and Manda Moore.

Manda Moore and daughter, Debbie, made a trip to Ashland, Ky., to visit Manda's niece, Kathy Thornton. While there they made candy cookies and Jello pie for Christmas. Before returning home to Fairborn, they had a surprise pizza party at the home of Manda's sister-in-law, Paulene LeMasters, in Westwood, Ky., given by another niece, Brenda Childers.

In 1945, Manda Rigsby Moore wrote and worked at The Licking Valley Courier. I am signing off for this week.

*In Memory of
Nora Easterling*

Corn Hole tourn. set February 17 in West Liberty

The Morgan County Community Center and the West Liberty Kiwanis Club will be sponsoring a Co-Ed Corn Hole Tournament Saturday, Feb. 17, at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Center gymnasium in West Liberty.
The double-elimination tournament is open to all ages and each team requires one male and one female player to enter. You must have a partner to enter.
The winning team will receive \$100, second place \$75 and the third place team will receive \$50.
Entry fee is \$20 per team. A drawing will be held for opponents prior to the tournament. Registration will begin at 5:00 p.m. and the drawing will be at 5:45. All entries must be signed up by 5:00 p.m.
All proceeds will benefit Community Center and Kiwanis Club projects. For more information, call 606-743-4995, 743-4415, or 743-3897.
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Junction News

By Kathy Bolin
Jan. 29 – Greetings from the Junction,
I am not sure but I believe the robins are a little confused by our weather. On several occasions last week I saw groups of robins in fields. What I want to know, are they coming from their winter home, or are they leaving? I am hoping that they are returning and spring its on its way.
Boy, I tell you Williams Creek can sure produce the athletes. For several years our star athlete for the Morgan County Cougars was Junior and Wanda Hamilton's son, Ralph, who graduated last year. This year we have Wes Montgomery, son of Jimmy and Cindy Montgomery, who makes an astonishing appearance on the court. I am particularly proud of

both these boys. Ralph is a relative of my husband's, and Wes is of the son of one of our best friends. Congratulations Wes!
Russell Legg is home from St. Claire Regional Medical Center and is staying with daughter Trish Wright until he makes a full recovery. Betty Jo Blanton is at ARH hospital in West Liberty, recuperating from a bout of pneumonia. Gene Ferguson, who is Julie Ferguson's husband, of Highway 172, is in the intensive care unit at UK. Gene has had ongoing health issues for awhile. I am sure that a whispered prayer for these people will help.
I have one birthday: Angie Robbins celebrated her birthday with a small gathering at her sister Joanne's home. Happy birthday!
Well, I guess that is all for this week; talk with you later!


WEST LIBERTY POLICE DEPARTMENT

January 21 - January 27

• Jan. 24, Patrolman Paul Perkins received training on Electronic Citation in Frankfort.

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Cannel City Elementary, Feb. 8
Ezel Elementary, Feb. 13
West Liberty Elementary, Feb. 15
If you have any questions please contact:
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C-1-25-ST

Invitation to Bid
Mountain Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation is advertising for sale a 1998 GMC 7500, VIN # 1GDM7H1J2WJ503157. This truck has approximately 93,000 miles and is equipped with a six speed manual transmission w/air shift PTO, 3116 Caterpillar Engine, air brakes, and a 2 speed hydraulic front winch. This truck is equipped with a 1986, 3900 Captain II Digger Derrick unit (Serial # 371-39) that was rebuilt in 1997. This unit is equipped with 9"and 14"augurs. The utility style bed is 8' 4" long and has both vertical and horizontal style storage bins. The truck will be sold as is / where is with NO WARRANTY. This truck can be viewed by appointment only at Mountain Rural Telephone. Contact Rick Pelfrey (606)743-3121 for more information. All bids must be sealed and received by 4:00 P.M. Friday February 9th 2007. Sealed bids may be dropped off or mailed to: Mountain Rural Telephone P.O. Box 399 West Liberty, Ky. 41472 Attention Rick Pelfrey. Successful bidder will be notified. Mountain Rural Telephone reserves the right to reject any and all bids.


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AREA DEATHS



Myrtle B. Adkins

Myrtle Marie Brown Adkins, of Plymouth, Michigan, passed away Tuesday, January 16, 2007, peacefully at the age of 89.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 57 years, Addie Adkins.

Survivors include two children, Pam and her husband, Doug Day, Ken and his wife, Jan, and many nieces and nephews.

Myrtle was born in Wrigley, Kentucky, to the late Richard and Nancy Brown, and was the last surviving sibling in her immediate Brown family of one sister, Lena Brown Ratliff; and five brothers, Curt, Herman, Sherman, R.V., and Richard Brown, Jr.

Myrtle and Addie moved to Michigan in 1941 and had been residents of Plymouth, Michigan since 1946. She lived out her remaining four years in assisted living homes in Plymouth and Livonia, Michigan.

After raising her children, Myrtle started working at various jobs and retired from Whitlock Manufacturing Company, of Farmington Hills, Michigan, at the age of 70. She was a regular and active member of the Assembly of God Church in Plymouth and the Northville Christian Assembly until she was physically unable to participate.

Throughout her life, she enjoyed gardening of flowers and vegetables. She preserved, to perfection, all the fruits and vegetables she grew and will be especially remembered for her homegrown fresh strawberry pies. She will be remembered as being a loving and caring wife and mother. Myrtle is now resting in peace.

Services were conducted on Friday, January 19, at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, in Plymouth, Michigan.

Memorial contributions were suggested to the Alzheimer's Association.



Merlin Noble

Merlin Noble, 47, of Frenchburg, died Thursday, January 25, 2007, in Alice, Texas.

Mr. Noble was born July 22, 1959, in Perry County, Kentucky, a son of the late Taylor Noble and Naomi Noble Noble.

He was an auto body repairman.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by 1 sister and 1 brother.

Survivors include his wife, Debbie Peck Noble; one son and daughter-in-law, Merlin Brad and Amy Noble, of Frenchburg; a granddaughter, Kayla Noble; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Clyde and Eileen Peck, of Frenchburg; one brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Alan and Melinda Peck, of Frenchburg; two sisters, Nora Jean Miller, of Hazard, and Cindy Feix, of Mount Sterling; two brothers, Rowland Campbell, of Jeffersonville, and Jimmy Noble, of Three Rivers, Texas; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted at 1 p.m. Monday, January 29, at Bethel Baptist Church, in Frenchburg, with Rev. Keith McGuire officiating. Burial followed in the Powers Cemetery, at Denniston, with Menifee Home For Funerals, of Frenchburg, in charge of arrangements.

Active pallbearers were Shannon Jones, Scott Ferrell, Chris Mays, Terry Brown, Tony Back, Derek Ferrell, Kash Hatton, and Jimmy Mynheer.

Honorary pallbearers were Charles Benson, Anthony Ferrell, Doug Peck, Mickey Little, Blake Ingram, Anthony Back, Marty Warren, John Will Stacy, Tim Meeks, Paul Schoonover, Mason Kash, and James Mynheer.

POEM

How precious it is, Lord, to realize that you are thinking about me constantly. I can't even count how many times a day your thoughts turn toward me.

(Submitted by Alpha Clevenger)



Vermont R. Brown

Vermont R. Brown, 66, of Frenchburg, died Saturday, Jan. 27, 2007, at Edgewood Estates Nursing Home, in Frenchburg, following an extended illness.

Mr. Brown was born June 2, 1939, in Menifee County, Kentucky, a son of the late Rexall Brown and Grace Amburgey Brown.

He was a retired construction/heavy equipment operator.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Betty Jo Nolan Brown, and one sister, Brenda Lilly.

Survivors include a daughter, Tracey and Vernon Terrell, of Frenchburg; two sons, Tim and Michelle Brown, of Wellington, and Joe and Bobbie Brown, of Odenville, Alabama; one sister, Zoia Murphy, of Wellington; 14 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 30, at Menifee Home For Funerals, with Rev. Jimmy Daulton officiating. Burial followed in the Mack Cemetery, at Frenchburg, with Menifee Home For Funerals, of Frenchburg, in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Willie Brown, Dale Murphy, Curt Ledford, Benny Ledford, Danny Wells, and Bill Parrott.

Burl Keeton

Burl Keeton, 69, passed away at his home in Urbana, Ohio, on Tuesday, Jan. 23, 2007.

He was born February 15, 1937, at Crockett, Kentucky. Burl and his siblings, Mearlen, Ruby, Clifford, Earl, Elzie, Olive, Rita, Noretti, Delpha, and Addie, were the children of the late Leander and Carrie Fyffe Keeton.

He and his wife, Shirley, were the parents of eight children, Sondra, Dane Keeton, Beverley Peyton, Debra Needham, Angie Fosdick, Amanda Huber, Cindi Armstrong, and Carrie Search; grandparents of 22 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted in St. Paris, Ohio, with burial following in Terra Haute, Ohio.

Burl will be greatly missed by all.



Bobby Grigsby

Bobby "Grigs" Grigsby, 67, of Middletown, Ohio, formerly of West Liberty, went to be with the Lord early Friday morning, January 26, 2007, at his home in Madison Twp.

A native of West Liberty, Kentucky, Bob was born and raised in the hills of Eastern Kentucky. Making his way as a young man as a mechanic and factory worker.

He was a 1957 graduate of Morgan County High, received his Degrees from Morehead State University and St. Xavier University both in education. Starting as a teacher touching students in the classroom, he was quickly on his way up the ladder, culminating as superintendent of Carlisle Local School. With his love for education, Bob strived to make the education and transportation systems in the state safe, prosperous and focused on students.

Upon his retiring, Bobby kept in the education arena by serving both the Warren County Career Center and Kings Local Schools as an administrator. "Grigs" to many, was the model of hard work making greatness as a husband, father, and friend. He was the common guy who made his own way and was respected by all for it.

Bob was preceded in death by his mother, Mattie Louise Conley Grigsby, and grandparents, Frank and Virgie Conley.

He will be strongly missed by his wife, Anna Lee, son, Henry Joe and wife, Kristin, son, James Franklin and wife, Jill, granddaughter, Miranda Ann, and by his many friends, co-workers, and fellow car enthusiasts.

Funeral services were conducted at 1 p.m. Wednesday, January 31, at Potter Funeral Home, with Bro. David Cook officiating. Burial followed in the Salyer Cemetery, West Liberty, with Potter Funeral Home, of West Liberty, in charge of arrangements.

Memorials were suggested to Victory Junction Gang Camp, 4500 Adam's Way, Randleman, NC 27317.

Pallbearers were family and friends.

LOVE OF GOD

The love of God is as high as the highest shingling star, as deep as the sea of blue, as wide as the silent realms of space, as broad as the Heaven's too. So high. So deep. So wide, So broad is the wonderful love of God.

(Submitted by Alpha Clevenger)



Drexell Castle

Drexell Castle, 63, of New Carlisle, Ohio, died Sunday, January 28, 2007, at his home.

He was born October 19, 1943, in West Liberty, Kentucky, a son of the late Denzil and Nancy Gevedon Castle.

He retired from General Motors in 1999 after 36 years of service.

Drexell was an avid fisherman and hunter, having made his own equipment. He also was a craftsman furniture maker, and a member of the New Carlisle Sportsman Club and NRA. He attended the New Carlisle Church of the Brethren.

Survivors include his wife of 29 years, Mary Jo "Skip" Castle; two daughters, Teresa A. Long, and Kimberly S. Long Switzer and husband, John; a grandson, Brandon Switzer; one sister, Norma Cook, all of New Carlisle, Ohio; and a host of nieces, nephews, additional relatives and friends.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Sharon Schroll.

A memorial service will be conducted at 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, at the New Carlisle Church of the Brethren, with Dr. Andrew J.O. Wright officiating. Friends may call one hour prior to services at the church. Funeral arrangements entrusted to Trostel, Chapman, Dunbar & Fraley Funeral Home, of New Carlisle, Ohio.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Drexell's name were suggested to New Carlisle Church of the Brethren, 219 N. Main Street, New Carlisle, Ohio 45344.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to www.trostelchapman.com.

Murline L. Lydon

Murline Lykins Lydon, daughter of the late Buford C. and Flora Lykins, passed away after an extended illness, on Sunday, Jan. 7, 2007, in Orlando, Florida.

Murline was born April 29, 1925, at Caney, Kentucky. She graduated from Morgan County High School and spent most of her life in Florida, after marriage to Col. Robert C. Lydon, a distinguished officer in the armed forces.

Her parents and husband preceded her in death, also two brothers: Harlan and Donnie Lykins, and one son-in-law.

Murline was the mother of three sons, Malcolm, Timothy and Allan Lydon, and one daughter, Linda Haines, all of Florida.

Murline was a member of a close knit family and was treasured and loved by all; perhaps more widely known for her expertise in horticulture. Her plants, herbs and flowers attracted attention far and wide and the love for her flowers was only exceeded by her love for people. She will long be remembered by her many friends in Kentucky and Florida.

She was interred in Tampa, Florida.

CARD OF THANKS

Perhaps you sent a lovely card,

Or sat quietly in a chair.

Perhaps you sent a funeral spray,

If so we saw it there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words,

As any friend could say;

Perhaps you were not there at all,

Just thought of us that day,

Whatever you did to console our hearts,

We thank you so much whatever the part.

The family of
Anon Ferguson



Elizabeth Oldfield

Elizabeth Allen Oldfield, 79, of Hazel Green, died Friday, January 26, 2007, at Morgan County Appalachian Regional Hospital, in West Liberty.

Born Wednesday, April 27, 1927, at Cannel City, Kentucky, a daughter of the late James Elijah and Ora Ethel Davis Allen.

She was a homemaker, and attended Mize Community Church as long as her health permitted.

Elizabeth was united in marriage to Walter C. Oldfield on April 6, 1945. He preceded her in death January 1, 1969. Also preceding her in death was one brother, Ernest Allen; and three sisters, Edith Bryantton, Erie Walton, and Eva Perkins.

Survivors include two daughters, Brenda Vest and husband, Thomas, of Hazel Green, and Janie Adkins and husband, Jack, of West Liberty; five grandchildren, Regina Fritsch and husband, John, of Paris, Ky., Tomika Goble and husband, Rusty, of Debord, Ky., Amy Howell and husband, Trevor, of West Liberty, Tommy Vest, of Hazel Green, and Sara Adkins, of Morehead; seven great grandchildren, Ashley Fritsch, Matthew Fritsch, Lauren Goble, Paige Goble, Weston Goble, Hannah Howell, and Garrett Howell; two sisters, Esther Spaulding, of Columbus, Ohio, and Erma Fannin, of Malone; one brother, Everett Allen, of Salyersville.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, Jan. 28, at Potter Funeral Chapel, with Rev. Bud Angus and Rev. Bob Stilson officiating. Burial followed in Old Grassy Cemetery, at Mize, with Potter Funeral Home, of West Liberty, in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Alan Perkins, Rick Allen, Tommy Vest, Trevor Howell, John Fritsch, Rusty Goble, Matt Fritsch, Garrett Howell, and Weston Goble.

Lacy Creek

Jan. 29--Joyce LeMaster, Athena Blackburn and Nicholas, and Sharon Lewis were shopping in Pikeville Saturday. Joyce LeMaster and Nicholas Blackburn visited with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lewis Saturday afternoon. Recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Dan LeMaster, Jr. have been Libby Cordle and Kendra, Keelee Oney, Greg Joseph, and William Dan LeMaster.

Kennell and Leova Lewis visited with Dorsie and Marie Franklin recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Nickell visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. Paul B. Gullett. Steve Gullett visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Nickell. The Nickells attended their home church over the weekend.

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LEGALS

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Permit No. 888-0081
Increment 2

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Lost Creek Coal, Oil & Gas Leasing, Inc., 167 Second Street, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501, intends to apply for a Phase I bond release for increments 2 on permit number 888-0081, which was last issued February 17, 2006. The application covers an area of approximately 422.04 surface acres located 2.2 miles southwest of Silverhill in Morgan County. The operation is approximately 1.1 miles north from junction of the Lacey Creek Road and the Mine Fork Road and located north of Lacey Creek. The operation is located on the Salyersville North U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute Quadrangle map at latitude 37 degrees 57 minutes 02 seconds and longitude 82 degrees 00 minutes 49 seconds.

The bond now in effect for Increment #2 is a cash bond for \$301,500.00 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: grading, seeding and mulching, and successful establishment of the post-mining land use, which was competed August, 2006.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by March 5, 2007.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for March 6, 2007 at 9:00 a.m., at the Department for Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by March 5, 2007.

This is the final advertisement of this application. All comments, objections or requests for a conference or hearing must be received within 30 (thirty) days of the day of this notice.

C-1-11-4t
(Pub. Jan. 11, 18, 25, Feb. 1)

PROBATE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given on this 23rd day of January 2007, that Mondell Daniel has been appointed the Administratrix of the Myrtle S. Cantrell Estate. Anyone indebted to said Estate should pay the undersigned immediately. Anyone having a claim of any nature against said Estate should file the same, properly verified, with the undersigned no later than six (6) months from the date of this publication.

Mondell Daniel
1029 White Oak Branch
West Liberty, Ky. 41472

Steve O'Connor
522 Prestonsburg Street
West Liberty, Ky. 41472

C-2-1-1t

PUBLIC NOTICE

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C-2-1-3t pd.
(Pub. Feb. 1, 8, 15)

A Funny
When Elizabeth Dole was appointed secretary of transportation by President Reagan in 1985, magazines covered the Dole marriage — she as cabinet member, he as powerful senator.

After a photo ran that showed them making up their bed in their apartment, a man wrote a complaining letter to Bob Dole, praising Elizabeth's skills but adding, "You've got to stop doing the work around the house. You're causing problems for men across the country."

"You don't know the half of it," Dole wrote back. "The only reason she was helping was because they were taking pictures."

Clifton Fadiman
Andre Bernard

Words Of Wisdom
You can commit no greater folly than to sit by the roadside until someone comes along and invites you to ride with him to wealth or influence.

John B. Gough

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For every dish that was prepared with care.
For every sympathetic greeting, phone call, and on-line condolence.
For every caring thought and prayer.
For every valuable donation to Index Church.

"Thank you" seems so inadequate. We are deeply appreciative to the Morgan County ARH and Ambulance Service, to the A-1 Auto employees, to City Policeman Zach Haney for his help and attentions to our mother, to the many hundreds of friends who waited patiently in line, to Rev. James Allen and Rev. Mike Frisby for their words of comfort, to Bob and Rachel Stilson and Brenda Angus for their beautiful songs, to Johnny Perry for the Morgan County baseball cap, to Morgan County DAV chaplain Paul Henry, to the honor Guards and Burial Squad which Dad was so proud to be a member of, to the pallbearers and the Sheriff Department escort to the cemetery. We are forever grateful to our Zag, Woodsbend, and Index Church families for the after-service meal, to the Morgan County High School Class of '51, and to the Potter Funeral Home staff for their compassionate and efficient services. We have been mindful of every act of kindness--none has gone unnoticed. As a result of your prayers, the comforter has overshadowed our family with a deep peace. We have been truly blessed by a multitude of loving family and friends. Thanks for sharing our burden during this sorrowful time of loss.

Louise,
Karen, Dexter, and Brandon
Brian, Jenny, and family
Steve, Margie, and Wes
Ralph, Cheryl, and Trevor
Kevin, Debbie and Shawn
Kim and children
(pd)

The Christmas Card Mystery
Every Christmas since 1945, the parents of a young soldier killed at Okinawa had received an unsigned card. It read only, "I, too, have not forgotten."

Then, in 1950, they received a letter explaining the mystery with a most heartwarming denouncement. The letter read:

"This year I am not sending a card, but an explanation. Perhaps I have been too mysterious, but I was ashamed to sign those cards. You see, your son, Carl, gave his life to save mine. He was a wonderful guy and had so much to live for. For five years I have searched for the reason: I knew there must be some purpose I was to fulfill. Some months ago I found the answer. I had gone back into the Army a year ago, and two months back I received some replacements in my company. One of them was Carl's kid brother, your youngest boy, Edward. Out of millions that might have been sent, I got Eddie. I feel better, I'll fight better, and let me tell you — I'll take care of that boy. Carl knows it, and I wanted you to know."

The Executive Speechwriter
Newsletter

Lower Elkfork

By Alpha Clevenger
Jan. 29--Sympathy is extended to the family of Billy Ratliff. May God bless and comfort his wife and children, and all the family. He will be sadly missed by all. He was a good father, husband, grandfather, and friend.
Sympathy is extended to all who are bereaved and get well wishes to the sick and shutins.
Barry was Saturday guest and got country water.
Joy called on Sunday. Good to hear from her again. She said they were staying inside. The weather was so cold on Sunday. Hope it warms soon. Well, in fact we've had a lot of cold weather.

Congratulations to Rev. and Mrs. Vernon Lewis on the arrival of a new son born Jan. 26th at Morehead Hospital, weighing over 8 lbs. He has a brother, Noah Dale, age 2. The baby has been named Benjamin.

Get well wishes to Glen Woodward. He heard he was on the sick list. Everyone misses him on the Swap Shop at 11:30. We hope he will soon be back much improved.

Dempsey will celebrate his birthday Feb. 3rd. Happy birthday and many more to you. God bless you. We love you.

How are you, Sophie Blevins, of Grant Park, Illinois? Hope you are improving every day. You are in my prayers daily. I hope and pray you wont fall and injure yourself anymore. You have already fallen too many times. Take care and be careful. We love you and may God bless you. You are a good friend to all. We appreciate you very much. Love and prayers. Your friend, Alpha Clevenger.

They were predicting a big snow but it missed us. We only got a little scift and flurries. Wish it would come 2 or 3 inches of pure, white snow. It's beautiful but we may get some later, hopefully.

How are you Fairy Dean? Hope you all are well. Have you had the flu yet? We've never had it yet and hope we don't. I've heard of a lot of cases and I think the school was shut down because of flu.

I meant to go to church on Sunday and Sunday night and I didn't make it. I sure miss going. Sometimes on Sunday I oversleep and I always try to go on Sunday night. It gives me a lift and encourages us and helps us spiritually and the week ahead goes smoother.

Barry talked to his daughter, Laura, recently. She was fine. He also talked to his son, Travis Grant Clevenger, of West Liberty, Ohio, and he was doing well. His stepfather, Jack Morris, was seriously ill and had been hospitalized for sometime. But he came home to stay and they were all worried about him. Everyone please pray for him. Get well wishes to him and his wife, Anita, has been by his bedside since he has been ill.

I heard the Sunday evening broadcast on W.L.K.S. and Rev. Vernon Lewis and Helen Lewis comes on at 3:00 p.m. and Vernon Lewis is on at 1 p.m., and the others. They do a good job. Keep up the good work.

Barry's daughter, Katie, is on W.R.L.V. each Saturday morning. She does a good job, also. She plays beautiful gospel songs and others.

Barry said he talked to Jewell Clevenger recently. He met up with her in town. It was good to talk to her. Jewell will celebrate

her birthday Feb. 14th and Marcella will celebrate her birthday Feb. 11th. Happy birthday and many more to you both.

How are you Tammy H? I haven't heard from you in a while. Call me sometime.

Sophie Blevins, of Grant Park, Illinois, called recently and said she was mailing me a gift and I'd receive it soon. Thank you, Sophie. You didn't have to do that. But thank you so much. You are a wonderful person and a good friend. God bless you. I love you.

How are you, Sue Kinner? Hope you and Earl are well. Have you had the flu yet? I haven't so far. There's been a lot of flu this winter.

How are you, Janie Collinsworth? Did you like the peanut brittle I made for you at Christmas? I hope you enjoyed it. I made Sue and Ear some also. I hope they liked it. I'm not able to do a lot for people at Christmas time and I'd like to do more if I could, but its the thoughts behind it. When I do a little something for someone during the holidays I feel so good inside and it makes me happy. I enjoy doing something for someone. I only wish I could do more.

The temprature seems to be dropping down at time. It's so cold on the outside. It's too cold to snow, I guess.

Sympathy is extended to the family in Magoffin that lost their daughter. She had been missing for sometime and they found her later. She had been shot several times. I hate to hear about that. God bless and comfort all her family. It's so sad.

The First Rule Of Being A Grandparent

Just before the holidays, Grandma and Grandpa bought new carpeting for their living room.

On Christman day the whole family visited to exchange presents. As she did every year, Grandma placed a jar of her special strawberry jam under the tree for each of the grandchildren.

Little Kimmy was so excited that she opened her jar right away. Then she ran to Grandma to thank her.

As she was giving Grandma a big hug, Kimmy saw the trail of jam that she spilled on the new carpet.

She started crying while saying, I'm sorry, Grandma. I'm sorry."

Grandma soothed her and said, "Don't worry, Kimmy, I can make you some more!"

Mary Kay Ash's First Rule Of Bumblebees

Aerodynamically, the bumblebee shouldn't be able to fly, but the bumblebee doesn't know it, so it goes on flying anyway.

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The Burley Tobacco Growers Cooperative Association will hold its Annual Meeting of membership at its Tobacco Farmer Appreciation Day at 2:00 p.m., Friday, February 16, 2007 in Room 101 of the South Wing at the KY Fair and Exposition Center in Louisville, KY during the National Farm Machinery Show.

Quotable Quote

There are three reasons for becoming a writer. The first is you need the money; the second, that you have something to say that you think the world should know; the third is that you can't think what to do with the long winter evenings.

Quentin Crisp

I'm My Own Grandpa
Submitted by Rosetta Edwards

Many years ago when I was twenty-three I was married to a widow, who was as pretty as could be. The widow had a grown-up daughter who had hair of red, And my father fell in love with her and soon they were wed. This made my father my son-in-law and changed my very life, For my daughter was my mother since she was my father's

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wife.
To complicate the matter even though it brought me joy, I soon became the father of a bouncing baby boy.
My little baby then became a brother-in-law to Dad, And so became my uncle though that made me sad,
For if he was my uncle that also made him a brother,
Of the widow's grown-up daughter, who was, of course, my stepmother.
Now my father's wife then had a son who kept them on the run, And he became my grandchild for he was my daughter's son.
My wife is now my mother's mother and that makes me blue, Because although she is my

wife she is my grandmother too.
Oh! If my wife is my grandmother, then I am her grandchild,
And every time I think of it, it nearly drives me wild.
For now I have become the strangest case I ever saw,
As husband of my grandmother, I am my own grandpa!



A boy begged his father for a bicycle, and one day he gave him a beauty. With joy he rode off to show it to his friends.

He soon returned, and complained tearfully, "George has been given a bike, too. It's better than mine."

Jealousy! It rages in the hearts of children and adults.

Jealousy turned Lucifer into Satan and angels into demons. It killed Abel and cast Daniel into the den of lions. It put a crown of thorns on the head of our Lord and nailed Him to the cross.

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Let's pray, "Lord, keep me from jealousy, and keep jealousy from me."

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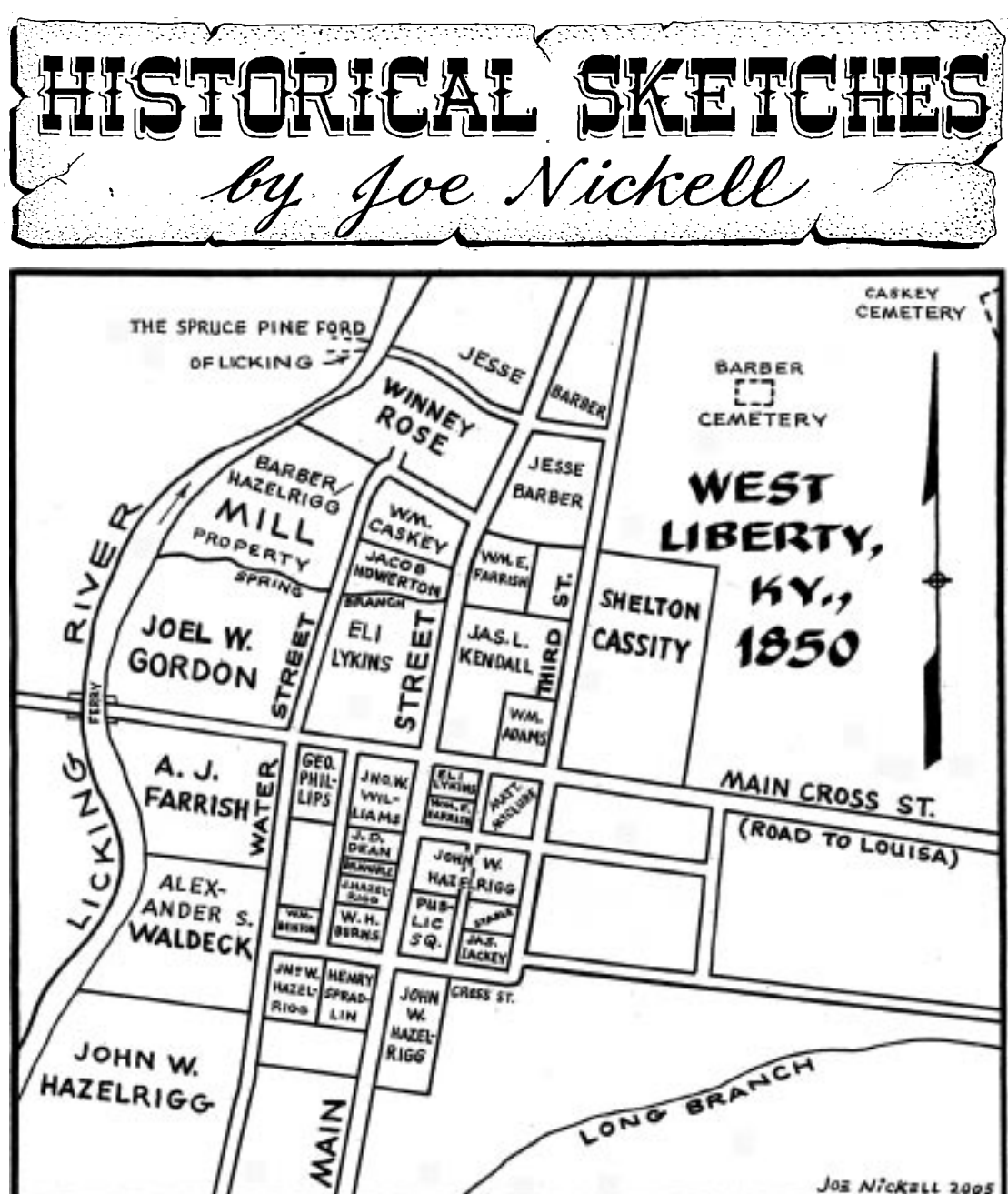
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WEST LIBERTY IN 1850. Little more than a quarter century after its creation, the county seat of Morgan was a thriving little town.

From what had been a rural community centered around a water grist mill completed in 1816, "a town by the name of West Liberty" was established as county seat soon after Morgan was formed in 1823.

It consisted of 39 acres of land provided by Edmund Wells, who had built the historic mill. Two acres were set aside "for the public square upon which the public buildings may be erected." The contracts for building the first jail and courthouse were awarded to Wells.

In just 27 years, the town had become crisscrossed with streets and subdivided into several lots as shown in the accompanying map. This is a reconstruction I did with the aid of a book important to local history (and one for which I wrote the introduction).

Titled *The Property History of Early West Liberty, Kentucky*, it was compiled by Henrietta Wells McKinney and her father, the late Henry H. Wells, and published in 1990. This book enabled me to keep track of properties, as they were divided and subdivided over time, and to overlay their 1850 boundaries onto a pencil tracing

from a modern city map, before finally inking and lettering the result.

The time required to make the map may have been out of all proportion to any usefulness it may have. Nevertheless it does provide an interesting view of the town at the middle of the 19th century.

Centrally located on Main Street was the residence/office of John Marple, a 32-year-old physician born in Pennsylvania. Among others whose property is shown were the following (together with their occupations listed on the 1850 census): John W. Hazelrigg (merchant), Alexander S. Waldeck (tanner), William Caskey (blacksmith), Joel W. Gordon (blacksmith), Jesse Barber (miller), Williams Adams (constable), Eli Lykins (stock driver), William H. Burns (lawyer), Henry J. Spradlin (constable), J. Duke Dean (merchant), Shelton Cassity (blacksmith) and others.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS: Henrietta Wells McKinney and Henry H. Wells, *The Property History of West Liberty, Kentucky* (West Liberty, Ky.: Privately printed, 1990), with an introduction by Joe Nickell. "an ACT to establish the county seat of Morgan," approved Dec. 1, 1823, is reprinted in McKinney and Wells, pp. 13-14.

The modern map I relied on was the "1979 Edition, West Liberty, Morgan County, Kentucky, Population 3,212," prepared by Kentucky Department of Transportation, Office of Transportation Planning, Division of Facilities Planning in cooperation with U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration" (from a base-map by the U.S. Geological Survey).

See also *1850 Morgan County, Ky. Census*, transcribed by Harley S. Little (Dayton, Ohio: Privately printed, 1975).

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Morgan County Board of Education will be offering a school bus driver training beginning Febraury 12, 2007.

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Conservation Dist. Cost Share Pgm. announced

The Morgan County Conservation District will be accepting requests for cost share funding under the Kentucky Soil Erosion and Water Quality Cost Share Program beginning February 1 and extending through February 28, 2007.

The Kentucky Soil Erosion and Water Quality Cost Share Program was in 1994 created by the Kentucky General Assembly to help agricultural and silviculture operations protect the soil and water resources of the Commonwealth. This financial and technical assistance program assists individual agriculture producers in the development and implementation of their agriculture water quality plans, which are required under state law. Any person engaged in agricultural or silviculture operations is eligible to apply through the local conservation district, which oversees the installation of best management practices. The State Cost Share program gives a high priority to animal waste related problems and agricultural district participants where pollution problems have been identified. The best management practices, approved through the State Cost Share Program, help reduce animal waste nutrients, prevent the loss of topsoil, and minimize sediment and other pollutants to Kentucky's streams, rivers, lakes and groundwater supplies. Among the eighteen practices eligible under the State Cost Share Program, some of the most frequently installed practices are Agricultural Waste Control Facility, Heavy Use Area Protection, Rotational Grazing System Establishment, Stream Crossing, and Streambank Stabilization. Please contact your local conservation district office for details on all eligible practices. In the first twelve years of this program, the Division of Conservation has received 21,465 applications seeking \$214 million in cost share assistance. Based on the available funds to the program in each of these years, 7,725 of those applications have been approved for a total of \$82.5 million.

Funding for practices will be approved by the Soil and Water Conservation Commission and the Kentucky Division of Conservation, located in Frankfort, as funds are available. Approved applicants will be notified in July of 2007 and they will have 12 months to complete their practice. For more information stop by the Morgan County Conservation district office located at 955 Prestonsburg Street, West Liberty, Ky. 41472 Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Phone: (606) 743-3194.

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(Pub. Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 8, 15, 22)

AA meetings slated for each Sunday evening

AA meetings are being held each Sunday at 8 p.m. in the conference room at the county government building. For more information or directions, call 606-743-1210.

Services available to help reach career goals

Do you need a job, a better paying job or just want to earn your GED? If so, stop by the MSU at West Liberty Adult Education and Career Center. The Center offers services to help you reach career and educational goals. Services offered are GED and ACT prep, resume writing, math and writing classes to help with employability test, and reading skills to become a better reader in order to help your child with homework. The Center is open Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday, 8-4:30; Tuesday, 8-6; and Friday, 8-3. For more information about our services you may call 743-1599.

Important VFW meeting Feb. 4

Herman Volney Nickell Post 7225, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will meet Sunday, Feb. 4, in the basement of the West Liberty City Hall at 2 p.m. Parking and entrance in back, off Trimble Street. This will be a very important meeting. All members are urged to attend.

H.B. Rose, Quartermaster

End Time Bible Study at Assembly of Faith Ch.

Assembly of Faith Church will have an End Time Bible Study each Tuesday night at 7 p.m. Lessons include The Rapture, The Antichrist, The Tribulation, The Great Tribulation, Christ's Return, The Millennium and The New Heaven & New Earth. Everyone is welcome! For more information please call Pastor Harold Davis at 606-743-7672.

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W.L.E.S. PTO to meet Thursday, February 1

West Liberty Elementary School PTO will meet Thursday, Feb. 1, at 6 p.m., in the West Liberty Elementary School Library. Fund raising will be discussed. All parents and teachers are urged to attend. For more information call 743-4648, or call the school.

Diabetes Support Group meeting set February 13

A Diabetes Support Group meeting will be conducted Tuesday, Feb. 13, at 6 p.m., at St. Claire Regional Medical Center Cafe D (second floor). The meeting is for anyone with diabetes or parents/family/caregivers of persons with diabetes. The topic of this meeting will be "Diabetes And Heart Disease". Sherry Adkins, BSN, RN, CDE, will be the speaker. For additional information call (606) 783-6711.

Sweetheart Pageant set Saturday, February 10

The Sweetheart pageant will be held Saturday, Feb. 10, at the MSU Center of West Liberty. Pre-register required by Feb. 1, 2007. Girls categories (0 through 21 years), boys categories (0 through 6 years). Pageant on Sunday wear. The pageant will start at 2 p.m. For more information and registration forms call Pam Burton at 743-7733 after 5 p.m., or leave message. Also registration forms may be picked up at Lenvil's Beauty Shop.

Bible Study at Ezel Presbyterian Church

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2007 GED test dates announced

Morehead State University at West Liberty Adult Education and Career Center has announced new 2007 GED test dates. Testing dates are January 12; February 9; March 9; April 13; May 11; and June 8. Registration is a MUST. For more information you may contact the learning center at 743-1599.

Sorghum Festival Committee meet. Feb. 8

The Sorghum Festival Committee will meet on Thursday, Feb. 8, at 5 p.m., at Pattie's Place. This meeting will be to end out 2006 Sorghum Festival and to start planning for the 2007 Festival. Anyone interested in volunteering for this year's festival needs to attend this meeting.

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Groundhog Day Chili Dinner at Index Church

A Groundhog Day Chili Dinner has been set for Friday, Feb. 2, from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m., at Index Community Church. Menu will consist of Chili with choice of grilled cheese or peanut butter sandwich for only \$4. In town delivery available. Call 743-4733 to place orders. This event is being sponsored by Index Community Church Men's Fellowship, and all proceeds will be applied to the building fund.

Greenville Lodge meet. slated Saturday, Feb. 3

Greenville Masonic Lodge #655 f & AM will have the regular monthly meeting Saturday, Feb. 3, beginning at 7 p.m. A potluck meal will be served afterward. All members are urged to attend.

Archery Tournament slated Saturday, Feb. 10

Morgan-Elliott 4-H Shooting Sports will sponsor an open Archery Tournament on Saturday, Feb. 10, at the Community Center, in West Liberty. Registration will be from 4 to 6 p.m. There will be adult, junior, and youth classes. For additional information call Kim Horton, 743-9347, or Randy Blair, 743-2997, evenings.

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Texas Hold'em Tourney slated Friday, Feb. 9th

Headwaters Bass Club will be having a Texas Hold'em Tournament on Friday, Feb. 9. Registration will begin at 5:30 p.m. Tournament begins at 7:00 p.m. Entry fee: \$20 per person. Concessions available. Proceeds will help sponsor Kids Day. Headwaters Bass Club is located on Rt. 460 across from Country Carpet.

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Commercial Bank to close for Presidents' Day

Commercial Bank will be closed Monday, Feb. 19, in observance of Presidents' Day.

Most Important Words

The six most important words: I am sorry, please forgive me.
The five most important words: We can work this out.
The four most important words: I will help you.
The three most important words: I love you.
The two most important words: Thank you.
The most important word: Us.
The least important word: Me.

Quotable Quote

Pessimists calculate the odds. Optimists believe they can overcome them.

Ted Koppel

Lenox

By Estelle Caskey

Jan. 29--Mrs. Karla Keeton and daughter, Sherry, were calling on Estelle Caskey and daughter, Louise, one day last week.

Our best wishes for a quick recovery to our friend and neighbor, Rev. Charles Tharp.

Estelle and Louise Caskey visited with Mrs. Reva Hutchinson last Tuesday afternoon.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Elizabeth Oldfield family and all others who have recently lost loved ones.

Estelle and Louise Caskey were calling on Mrs. Wilma Reed and Mrs. Garnett Wright last Friday.

Mr. Bill Vance is home from a Lexington hospital and reportedly is improving nicely.

Our best wishes for a quick recovery to Mrs. Lexie Kersey, Mrs. Betty Jo Blanton, Mrs. Lucy McClain, Mrs. Ruby Caskey, and all others who are patients at the ARH hospital.

We also wish a quick recovery to Wilma Faulkner, who is a patient at St. Claire Medical Center.

Happy birthday wishes to Garnett Wright who has now reached the age of sweet sixteen last Monday, Jan. 29.

Household Hints

- Ear wax--drop 2-3 drops of olive oil in your ear. The wax will flow out.
- Craving sugar--eat a salty food to help stop craving for sugar.
- For brighter oil lamp light--

add a pinch of salt in the lamp oil. Light will be brighter.

- Mildew--place lemon juice on the spots and rub gently with a terry cloth rag.

- Water rings on furniture--carefully rub a dab of white toothpaste on the ring, remove all residue of the tooth paste, rub a dab of mineral oil on the spot, and then apply a coat of wax.

Cute Riddles

- What are the last three hairs on a dog's tail called? Dog hairs.
- Why are people riding horses like the clouds in the sky? They hold the reins.
- Why does a bald headed man have no use for keys? Because he has no locks.
- What is the difference between a jeweler and a jailer? The jeweler sells watches and the jailer watches the cells.
- Why does a man with little money buy a short coat? Because it will be long before he buys another.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

Monday, Feb. 5--Ham slice/raisin sauce, sweet potatoes, steamed broccoli, orange, roll, milk.

Tuesday, Feb. 6--Oven fried chicken, parsley potatoes, green beans, pineapple, wheat bread, milk.

Wednesday, Feb. 7--Mushroom steak, whipped potatoes, brussell sprouts, banana, wheat bread, milk.

Thursday, Feb. 8--Beefy macaroni casserole, corn, mustard greens, peaches, cornbread, milk.

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<p>★ NEW LISTING! Stop and look at this great deal. Located on Keith Whitley Blvd. in Sandy Hook, minutes from Little Sandy Correctional Facility. Nice subdivision. \$65,000.</p>	<p>★ NEW LISTING! Norris mobile home with newer addition situated on 1.5± acre lot on KY-706 in the Isonville area of Elliott County. 3 BR, 2 BA, new shingle roof, gas log fire place, carpet, office. Reduced To \$44,900.</p>	<p>★ NEW LISTING! Ranch style home, fresh paint, laminate hardwood flooring, move-in condition. Located on Keith Whitley Blvd., in Sandy Hook. 3 BR, 1 BA, baseboard heat. Reduced to sell quickly. \$65,500.</p>	<p>★ NEW LISTING! Beautiful 1.5 story home on 3± acres in Horton Flats area of Elliott County. Minutes from Grayson Lake. 5 BR, 2 BA, above ground pool, barn. \$175,000.</p>	<p>★ NEW LISTING! Newer home located on Keith Whitley Blvd., in Sandy Hook, on end lot. 3 BR, 1 BA, walk out storage in basement area, living room, kitchen/dining room. \$65,900.</p>
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<p>★ NEW LISTING! Beautiful brick/ranch home on 2± wooded lot, on S56 (Ruin Road) Elliott County. 3BR, 2BA, hardwood flooring, baseboard heat. \$119,000.</p>	<p>★ NEW LISTING! First time on market. 2002 24x44 doublewide on 2± acres on Lawson Road in Elliott County. 3 BR, 2BA, city water. \$59,900.</p>	<p>★ NEW LISTING! Ranch style home located on KY-172 in Morgan County. 3/4 BR, 2 BA, country kitchen, pantry area, two-car carport, garden area, big flat back yard. \$89,900.</p>	<p>★ NEW LISTING! Beautiful ranch home, 3 BR, 2 BA, open kitchen/dining area, much more. Sheepskin Road, Elliott County. \$79,900.</p>	<p>★ NEW LISTING! 3± acres off Hwy 557, Elliott County. Minutes from town. \$13,500.</p>
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<p>★ NEW LISTING! 49± acres, fronts on KY-556. Excellent house seats, wooded, wildlife. \$75,000. Will subdivide. Possible owner financing.</p>	<p>★ NEW LISTING! 2± adjoining lots. Horton Flats in Elliott County. Minutes from new prison. Reduced to sell quickly. \$12,000.</p>	<p>★ NEW LISTING! What a deal! Take a look at this newly remodeled home just outside city limits of Sandy Hook! 2 BR, 1 BA, new carpet, new roof, new windows, propane heat. \$49,900.</p>	<p>★ NEW LISTING! 42.16 acres fronts Rt. 801 and river, Farmers, Rowan County. All tillable. \$77,000.</p>	<p>★ NEW LISTING! 11± acres, Morgan County, 109 surveyed acres. Mostly cleared, strip mined area. Smoky Mountain view, woods, excellent hunting. Can be gated. \$89,900.</p>
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Booted out of his party, long-time Democrat stalwart Joe Lieberman remains unbowed; stance on war has never wavered

By Kimberley A. Strassel
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WASHINGTON, D.C. — The war in Iraq brings to Joe Lieberman's mind an old Mark Twain story. "When a cat jumps on a hot stove, the cat never jumps on the stove again because the cat always assumes the stove is hot," says the senator from Connecticut. "But we are smarter than that. OK, so Vietnam didn't work out. But there are times when you've got to use force, to protect your security and to protect your principles."

Try telling that to the nuisance of congressional felines now prowling around the Iraq debate, eyeing it like a cooker on high boil. Next week will witness a Senate vote on a resolution condemning President Bush's new plan to quell growing secretarian violence and terrorism in Iraq by increasing the number of troops. While that vote may be largely symbolic, it comes amid far more ominous congressional calls to cut off war funding, to leave the Iraqis to settle their differences without bringing the troops home.

If ever the Iraq political debate was at a crossroads, it's now. At the center of this fray is Sen. Lieberman, a sort of Horatio at the congressional bridge — spiritedly trying to hold back a bipartisan stampede out of Iraq that he believes will result in devastating consequences for that country, the region and most importantly, U.S. national security.

"Iraq is the central part of a larger and ultimately longer-term conflict in the Middle East between moderates and extremists, between democrats and dictators, between Iran- and Iraq- sponsored terrorism and the rest of the Middle East... Are we going to surrender to them, surrender that country to them, and encourage people like them to be in authority and power all over the Middle East and in a better position to strike us again?" asks Mr. Lieberman. If only Livy had his quill today.

These are blunt words, and quite a few more flow from Mr. Lieberman throughout a lively interview in his office this past week. A born gentleman, he refrains from lobbing any pot shots at opponents. But he made clear that he felt Washington had been ducking an honest debate about the war and the consequences of abandoning it, hiding instead behind "cosmetic" resolutions and rhetoric. Four years into the conflict, Mr. Lieberman thinks there is value in remembering again why it is we're in Iraq.

This is well-trod ground for a man who supported not just the

first Gulf War, but sponsored the 1998 Iraq Liberation Act that aimed to topple the regime. In 2003 "we did something that was right and courageous, which was to overthrow Saddam Hussein," says Mr. Lieberman. "He was a genocidal dictator, he tried to assassinate a former American president, he used chemical weapons [on his]... own people... He was a hater of the United States." Saddam was a danger, not to mention a barrier in creating a democratic Middle East that ceases to be a threat to the U.S.

This is why the senator remains unmoved today by those colleagues who have abandoned the cause, lamenting that they were "deceived" about the existence of WMD or that they have "lost confidence in the leadership of the president." Says Mr. Lieberman: "If you still think, not only that the original purpose of going in was right, but that how it ends will have a significant effect on American security for a generation or more to come, then you don't back away." And that, he says, counts even in the face of faltering public opinion. "I think we are elected to lead... Americans are understandably responding to the carnage they see on TV every night, and what we have to urge them is not to surrender to the people who are causing that carnage."

Mr. Lieberman, who returned from his latest visit to Iraq in December, freely acknowledges what he believes were "the series of mistakes that were made after Saddam Hussein was overthrown," from the disbanding of the Iraqi army to our reluctance to send more troops (something he has advocated since the fall of 2003). Still, "we were getting to a point where we were making some significant progress — and it is important not to overlook this. There were three elections held. Those were a powerful demonstration of what no one is able to deny, even those who now want to turn away and give up on Iraq. Which is that the majority of Iraqi people want a better life for themselves and their families. The majority is not involved in secretarian violence and clearly not involved in terrorism."

There are still hopeful signs, he says. His recent trip included a stop in Ramadi in Anbar province — an area thick with terrorist operatives — where the senator saw evidence that "we've turned the tribal leaders to our side, against al Qaeda." Mr. Lieberman also felt from his discussions around the country that were strong signs a "moderate, multiethnic coalition" was coming together among political lead-

ers who support Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki in a renewed push to restore order. "This thing is still winnable," says Mr. Lieberman. "And it is critical that we take advantage of this opportunity to win."

Which gets to President Bush's proposal for more troops, a plan Mr. Lieberman enthusiastically endorses. "The people in Congress, and the public were quite right in saying the president's got to come up with a different approach. And he *did*. It's better than any other plan I've seen because it holds the hope of success. Most of the other plans are effectively just giving up and walking away."

Are 21,500 additional troops really enough? "I wish it was more, truthfully," he answers, throwing his own wish of 35,000 or even 40,000. "But I believe it is adequate. What I hope is that it is implemented quickly." The troops will be vital to quelling what Mr. Lieberman sees as several very different conflicts currently raging in Iraq. In Baghdad, more U.S. soldiers will bolster more Iraqi forces who aim to hold neighborhoods wracked by violence between local Shiites and Sunnis. In Anbar, they will hunt down al Qaeda. More troops, says Mr. Lieberman, will also provide the opportunity "to change the dynamic" in the wide war on terrorism, by sending a message to Iran and others that the U.S. will not abandon the region's moderates who are struggling to create a new democratic order.

And what of those Americans looking for some guarantee this will succeed? "None of us can be certain [the president's plan] is going to work; all the choices we have in Iraq right now are difficult. But by far, the one that is the worst, and would have disastrous consequences, is to pick up and leave, in small steps or in one large step, for all the reasons we know," he replies, emphatically. He also wants to speak beyond the proposal itself, to its author. "I have admiration for the present, because I believe he gets it. He understands the challenge of our time, which is from Islamic extremism... And he knows what he's doing is not popular. But he's doing it because he thinks it is right for the country."

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So what does Mr. Lieberman's Senate brethren, those who now want to turn tail for Rome, abandoning Horatio and his damned bridge to the enemy? What, I ask, accounts for the growing numbers of senators — including Republicans such as Nebraska's Chuck Hagel, Maine's Olympia Snowe,

Oregon's Gordon Smith — who could well provide the decisive votes to undermine their own president in a time of war?

Mr. Lieberman offers a few halfhearted (dare I say, gentlemanly) explanations for the Senate's frigid feet. Some fell let down because the WMDs were never found; others are effected in a political context by the loss of public support." But he ends up back at a baser truth, conceding that "some people, I just think have been partisan about this — and that, to me, is the worst reason."

Mr. Lieberman is also frustrated that those supporting the resolution are dodging the tough questions. "The resolution that is being talked about, in one sense I'd say it is offensive, because it is only cosmetic... It won't affect the implementation of a new plan to succeed, to win in Iraq. But at the same time it will send a mixed message to those who are fighting for us in Iraq, and those who are fighting against us in Iraq. It will be a very graphic example... that we are divided."

But what can Mr. Lieberman, President Bush and others do to stave off such a capitulation? For starters, he responds, his side needs to make sure the naysayers aren't allowed to just criticize. "Part of the case would be, look, if you are really against the war and you are really against what the president is proposing, have the nerve to do what Congress under the Constitution is allowed to do: Move to cut off the funding and then let's have a real head-to-head debate."

Critics of the president's approach might also be made to put forward an alternative, and justify their proposals — beyond some vague notion that must all be resolved by the Iraqi parliament, which Mr. Lieberman explains isn't so much a solution as wish-fulfillment. "There is an attempt by some of my colleagues here to say that it is wrong to think a military victory is possible, and in the end this requires a political solution among Iraqis. Well, *of course it does*. But as President Bush said, and as I believe, you can't have a political solution, you can't have economic growth... unless you first have security. That's key. Security's basic."

The other alternative, of course, is to simply admit defeat. Some in Congress are working up the courage to say as much, and to further suggest that abandoning Iraq wouldn't be all that bad. "People say this is just like Vietnam, we could leave, and that would be that. But it *won't* be that. We're in a war which has its origins in this part of the world, in

the Middle East, in the conflict within Islam. If we pull out and essentially surrender to the extremists and terrorists, they are naturally going to follow us right back to our shores.

And if we leave the place collapses. And it's more than civil war, it's ethnic cleansing. The Iraqis come in and dominate a good chunk of the country. Al Qaeda takes over a good part and uses it as a base. The Kurds [can sustain themselves] but it gets very ominous... And then the same group of people who attacked us on 9/11, they achieve a victory, and they will use that victory to strike at us again."

Speaking of the threat posed by Iran, Mr. Lieberman has been equally unimpressed by the U.S.'s lack of resolve. "I'm troubled by this reflect reaction to talk with Iran. We're a strong enough country, when it seems productive we shouldn't hesitate to talk to anybody. But we ought to talk when it is in our interest, not theirs. And right now it is only in Iran's interest."

He says he's been encouraged by the administration's tough stance in recent weeks, and in particular President Bush's decision to move another carrier battle group to the Gulf region — "which sends a message to Iran."

Mr. Lieberman also notes that, "We know that some of our American soldiers are being killed by sophisticated IEDs from Iran. The evidence is just closed, clear, compelling... I can't believe the concern expressed by some of my colleagues here about whether we have a right to take prisoner Iraqis who we conclude are either supplying weapons to Iraqis who are using them to kill American troops, or training them to kill American troops." As for the rest of the world community, "they're in denial."

What is remarkable, I think toward the end of our conversation, is how spry and feisty the senator looks. He did, after all, just come off a draining year fighting a bitter battle — against his own party — for his political life. Mr. Lieberman is now officially an "independent" (after being booted out of the Democrat Party, whose anti-war wing organized a campaign that beat him in the Connecticut primary), yet he takes care to describe himself as an "independent Democrat." Why identify with a party that is so uniformly opposed to him on an issue so dear to his heart? He admits he frets that foreign policy is the "Achilles heel" of his political side, and that "unless the Democratic Party can prove to the people it is not either pacifist or isolationist, but is willing to stand

up and protect the security of the American people, then we're going to have trouble electing a president."

His own Democratic heroes are Truman and Kennedy. "The Kennedy inaugural was the single... speech that brought me into public life. Those famous words 'Pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe, in order to assure the survival and the success of liberty.' That's what it meant to me to be a democrat." Horatio's challenge now is to convince his party — and more than a few Republicans — to also remember just who they are.

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Inspiration Corner

By Louise Winchup



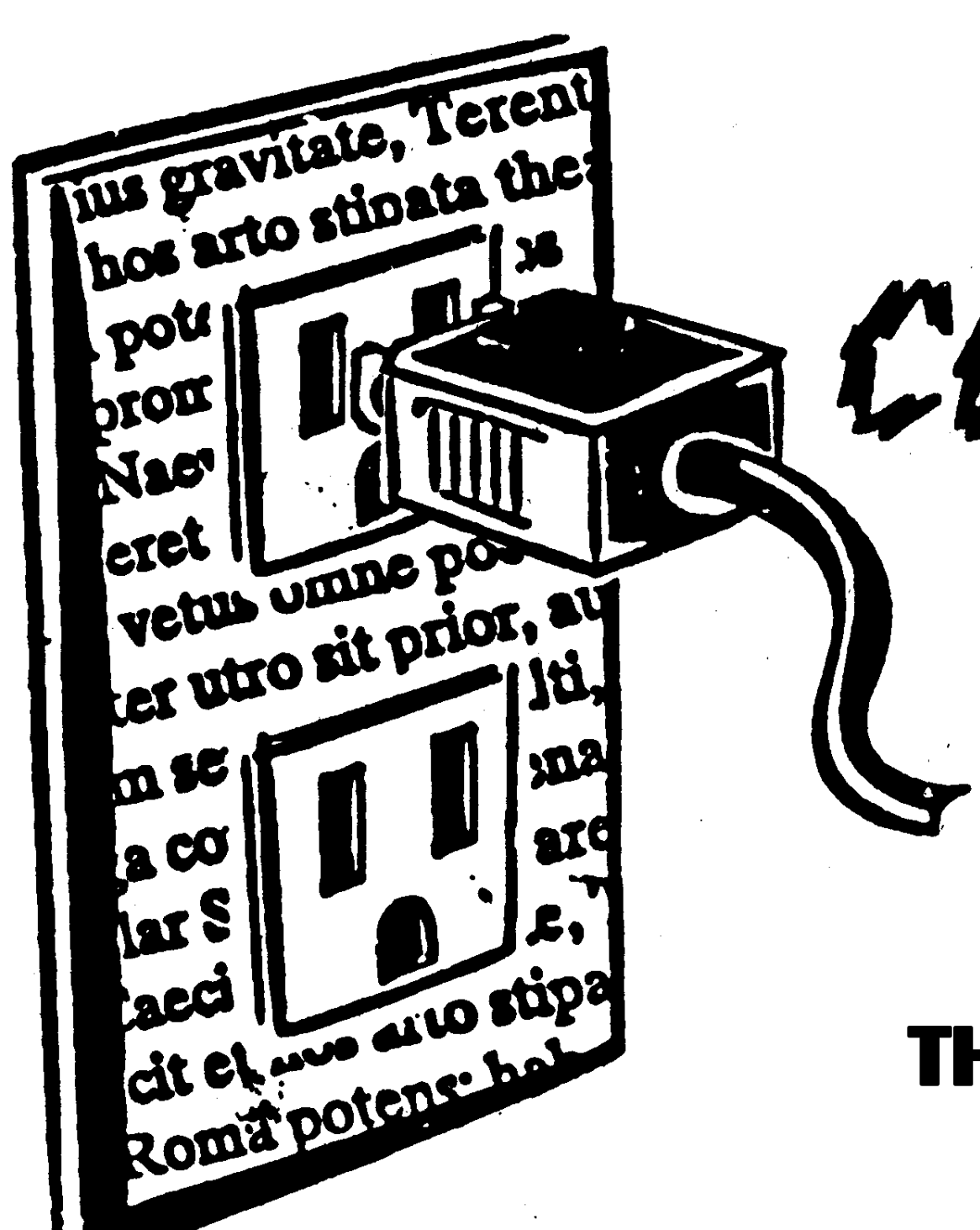
In Memory of Louise Lee Winchup
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We were half way there, and other half to cover until we reached our stopping place. We were enjoying the trip, pleasant scenery, and friendly conversation. We looked forward to arriving home and seeing our loved ones. We had been away for a couple of weeks and it felt as though we had been gone forever. What a blessing to be at home.

We may have been only a few miles from home, but we were away and that made the difference. The children were quiet as we came into familiar places. They had a great time on their vacation, but to be home that was the best place.

Maybe Jesus longed for His own home while here on earth. Folks scorned Him, ignored Him and was unkind to Him. There were a few people who loved Him and wanted to be with Him. Can you imagine how sad He was that men rejected Him and refused the new life He provided for them? Haven't you been sad when you gave a gift to some one and he or she set it aside as though it were nothing?

Jesus, Lord of Lord and King of Kings, invites you to come to Him today and enjoy the blessings that are ours in Christ Jesus. Remember, He is waiting for you. He never turns anyone away. He is the dearest Friend you could ever know. He loves you and wants to be a part of your life every day.



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Easterling reunion at Williams home

(The following article is being reprinted. It first appeared in The Licking Valley Courier sometime during the 1960s.)

The following descendants of the late William T. and Delilah Nickell Easterling met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vinson Williams at Florress Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. W.L. (Billy T.) Easterling, Terri and David and Larry Pettit, of Wappingers Falls, N.Y., Mrs. Maude Easterling, Jean Easterling, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Welch, of Louisville, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Black, Mike, Connie, and Lesley, Mrs. Eva Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Denzil Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Dorsie D. Franklin, Kathy Black and Gary Adkins, of West Liberty, Mrs. James V. Henry, Mrs. Ollie Riggsby and Joyce, Terri, Bernice, Lucy, and Junior, of Cottle, Mr. and Mrs. Kennell Lewis, of Florress.

The group also celebrated Mr. Welch's birthday. He was surprised by gifts, cards, and a cake baked and decorated by Marie Franklin. Tables of fine food, picture-taking, reminiscences, and games were enjoyed by all.

W.L. Easterling is on his way from New York to Ft. Walton Beach, Florida, to instruct an IBM training class. Young Pettit will fly from Indianapolis, Indiana, Wednesday to New Mexico for the National Boy Scout meeting there.

come calls. Bill Stamper called. He said they would probably be home around March first. He said he hadn't done much fishing since his recent scare when he fell into the Okeechobee Lake. The other call was from a great supporter of Memory Hill: Lowell Taulbee, of Ohio, the son of the late Raymond Taulbee. He has a brother, Darrel, who works at the Ky. University. Lowell is very proud of his brother. Lowell's father and my mother are first cousins. We had a long discussion of the Taulbees, of whom we are very proud to be connected.

Deborah and I spent last Friday on a tour to West Liberty, Salyersville, and Jackson--picked up some brochures at Salyersville Independent, visited the Ky. Explorer, also went to War Mart at Jackson. While at the Salyersville Independent we ran into Hansom Rowe, Wardie's distant cousin from Magoffin County. He told me about the murder of the Rowe lady but said they weren't out of the same family. He said he tried to pick up The Licking Valley Courier so he could read the Memory Hill news.

Fire victim accepts quilt from String Along Guild

Debbie Perkins, at left, accepts a patchwork quilt from String Along Quilt Guild President Libby Hammonds during the January 23rd String Along Guild meeting. Mrs. Perkins and her family lost all their belongings in a fire that destroyed their mobile home on Lick Branch in December, 2006. String Along Quilt Guild has given approximately 35 quilts to Morgan County families since the beginning of this project April 26, 2001.

Memory Hill & Roundabout

By Hazel B. Craft

Jan. 29--Morgan County has been fortunate during the past cold spell. The weather has been colder than usual but nothing to compare to other sections. We had colder weather than usual but very little snow.

The past week several schools were closed, some with sickness and others with the cold weather.

The past Saturday my daughter, Angela Jackson, called from Winchester with the good news that Tess, Angela Thompson had arrived at the hospital in Frankfort, the daughter of Sherry Lynn and Glynn Thompson, the granddaughter of Eddie and Angela Craft Jackson, and the great granddaughter of Wardie and Hazel Craft. Tess's birthday centered around the 7's--born January 27, at 7 a.m. and weighed 7 lbs and 7 ozs. She sure was a welcome baby. The other siblings were so thrilled to welcome their baby sister; Joseph Emerson and Everitt. Tess and Sherry Lynn are doing great. Angela said she was one tired person awaiting the arrival of her granddaughter.

Edwin Benton called and wanted me to announce that there would be another reunion at the

Cannel City School May 26, 2007, at 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. We all thought that the last reunion was last year, but since Cannel City School will be in session all year, the alumni decided to have another reunion. I know there will be a grand get-together at this grand old school. Put this date on your calendar. Edwin said he wanted it announced early so that interested parties could make arrangements.

Services at our church were cancelled the third Sunday in January. A small crowd was present on Saturday night. Thanks Paul Turner and Hobert Dunn for your presence. I had planned to attend the Brush Fork United Baptist Church, at Caney, the past Sunday but changed my mind after I saw that the bridge and lane were covered with snow and ice. Deborah Craft and Connie Cintron did attend. They reported Roy Collett was present and delivered a great sermon. This coming Sunday--the first Sunday in February there will be another service. Hopefully the weather will be ok.

Wardie would have been 98 February 8. it doesn't seem possible he has been gone nine years. The older a person becomes it seems the faster time goes. His death date is February 28.

Last night I got two very wel-

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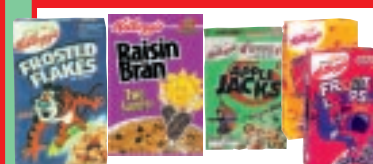
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Leslie Eagle reaches scoring milestone in victory over Lewis County; scores another 18 as Morgan beats Pikeville

By David Patrick

Leslie Eagle scored a game-high 16 points, including the 1,000th of her young career as the Lady Cougars beat Lewis County, 62-38.

The sophomore came into the game only 10 points shy of the mark. She scored seven of those in the game's first eight minutes before reaching the milestone on a three-pointer early in the second quarter. Eagle was then presented the game ball by Morgan County Coach Jeff Brown in recognition of her achievement.

"I am very proud of Leslie and the way she has played this year," Brown said after the game. "She is a special player."

The Lady Cougars rode the momentum of Eagle's basket to a six-point halftime lead before blowing the game open in the third quarter. Jacey Curd scored seven in the frame, while Kayla Kelly and Eagle added five and four points, respectively. Alyssa Dulen then scored six of Morgan's 16 fourth period points as the Lady Cougars closed out the impressive 24-point win.

Appropriately enough, Eagle pulled down 11 rebounds to go along with her 16 points—giving her a double-double on the evening she'll long remember. Curd and Hannah Fugate added 12 points each, while Dulen finished with 10. Kelly scored nine points and grabbed 10 boards.

Morgan County 68
Pikeville 57

Leslie Eagle and Hannah Fugate combined for 34 points for a 68-57 win on the road over Pikeville.

Morgan County jumped out to an early 20-16 lead, thanks to three-point baskets by Eagle, Jacey Curd, and Alyssa Dulen. However, Pikeville outscored the Lady Cougars 13-8 in the second period to hold a 29-28 lead at intermission.

But Morgan put up 40 points in the second half, including 21 in the third quarter. Seven Lady Cougars scored in the frame, led by five points from Jacey Curd and four each from Eagle and Meghan Howard. Eagle then capped her 18-point effort with 11 points over the final eight minutes to lead Morgan to the 11-point victory.

Curd scored 10 points for the Lady Cougars, while Dulen and Howard tallied nine and eight, respectively.



Double-doubles by Haney and Ferguson spark win over S. Floyd

By David Patrick

Katlin Haney scored 23 points and grabbed 16 rebounds to help the Cougars past South Floyd at Veterans Memorial Gym, 74-60.

After falling behind by six after one quarter, Morgan County found its offense in a big way the remainder of the game. Haney scored four field goals in the second quarter and Derrick Young added a three-pointer as Matthew Perry's team trimmed the deficit to two heading to intermission.

The third period belonged to Morgan. The Cougars racked up a game-high 26 points during the period, including four three-point baskets. Derrick Young led the way in that department with a couple of bombs, while Haney and Wes Montgomery knocked down one apiece. Morgan led 56-50 heading to the final period.

The Cougars relied on free throws to close out the win. The team converted 10 of 14 over the game's final eight minutes. For the game, Morgan hit a respectable 21 of 28 ((75%).

Like Haney, Brandon Ferguson registered a double-double on the evening, finishing with 15 points and 10 rebounds.



Brandon Ferguson (21) takes the ball to the hoop. Ferguson scored 15 points and collected 10 rebounds in Cougars' win over South Floyd.

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The duo also combined for nine assists. Young and Montgomery added 16 apiece for Morgan.

Cougars lose to Elliott and Fleming

By David Patrick

Elliott County – 83
Morgan County – 57

Jonathan Ferguson and Ethan Faulkner combined for 51 points as Elliott County beat the Cougars in Sandy Hook.

The Lions built a comfortable 14-point lead in the first quarter as Faulkner and his twin brother, Evan, teamed up for 10 points. Ethan then added another seven in the second quarter, which was complemented by five points by Ferguson and a three-point basket from Timothy Knipp. Elliott held a commanding 37-22 lead at intermission.

Morgan did manage to hold its own with a 22-point third quarter. Brandon Ferguson scored seven points, while Katlin Haney and Wes Montgomery tallied six apiece, as the Cougars kept the deficit under 20 heading into the final eight minutes. But Elliott finished strong with nine points from Ferguson and seven free throws by Ethan Faulkner as the Lions posted the 26-point victory.

Haney converted seven of 10 shots from the field to lead Morgan with 20 points. Montgomery and Ferguson added 16 and 13 points, respectively, while Ferguson pulled down a team-best 11 rebounds.

Fleming County – 56
Morgan County – 49

Cory Moore scored 13 of his game-high 24 points in the first half as host Fleming County turned away Morgan, 56-49.

It was Matthew Perry's team that grabbed the early lead as Katlin Haney and Wes Montgomery combined for 11 points as the Cougars went up 15-12 after one quarter. And despite Moore's six field goals over the first two periods, Morgan maintained a 25-24 advantage at the half.

But like it has so many times before, the third quarter spelled disaster for Morgan County. The Cougars surrendered eight field goals, including a pair of three-point baskets to Jesse Roberts. With it, Morgan found itself down 11 heading to the fourth quarter.

Montgomery, Brandon Ferguson and John Robert Henderson each scored two field goals apiece over the final eight minutes but it would not be enough. Moore countered with seven points for Fleming, and Bailey Ellison knocked down three of four free-throw attempts as the Panthers earned their fifth victory of the season. Haney led Morgan with 15 points, while Montgomery finished with 12. John Robert Henderson and Brandon Ferguson scored eight apiece.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Leslie Eagle

MCHS Girls' Basketball Team:

This week's athlete of the week is 5'7" sophomore guard Leslie Eagle. Leslie reached a great milestone last Friday night vs. Lewis County. She became the 7th member of the MCHS Lady Cougar basketball 1,000 point club. Leslie finished the game with an impressive 16 points, 11 rebounds, 4 assists, and 4 steals! The Lady Cougars won the game 62-38 to pick up their 10th victory of the season. Congrats to Leslie Eagle on her accomplishment and overall team performance.



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Cannel City Elementary School's final Christmas pgm. festive but bittersweet

Ask anyone who attends or has ever attended Cannel City Elementary what some of their most cherished memories are and somewhere in the conversation they will tell you, "When I went to school at Cannel City." This was never more evident than on the night of December 7, 2006, when Cannel City Elementary School put on its final Christmas production. The throng of approximately 500 visitors came to be a part of this celebration and to see the school beautifully adorned for the final time in its Christmas attire.

Numerous students, staff and family members as well as former faculty and students were in attendance and wanted to be a part of this closing chapter in Morgan County history. The crowd was not to be disappointed. In addition to the annual program that is performed by the students singing songs and reciting poems, two fifth grade students, Chesley Hembree and Braxton Howard, served as masters of ceremonies. This year, past alumni spoke and reminisced about their days at Cannel City when it was a high school and in later years when it became the grade school it is today.

Fond recollections and even some shed tears were shared by the various speakers. Jimmie Jones, a former teacher; Bill Frank and Donna Lacy, Patty Barker and Mike Lindon, all past students, took the podium and conveyed their heartfelt feelings about their beloved school.

Cannel City School is even the home of several talented singers who wanted to do their part in the

history making event. These included Neal Clark, Tammy Prater Miller, who is also a former staff member and was accompanied in song by her husband, Wayne, and Crystal Benton, who is now a high school student at Morgan County High School. All sang beautiful songs to mark the occasion. There was also a visit from the Puppeteers of Grace Baptist Church to perform their program.

Several families had members who had attended Cannel City for four generations. One of these is a current teacher at CCES with children of her own who are now students at CCES. These fourth generation members were asked to join in the festivities by proudly standing and being recognized. Eighteen former teachers and employees were in attendance as

well as current staff members.

Light refreshments of cake and punch were served to the large crowd of proud students, parents, teachers, staff members and alumni of Cannel City School. Mrs. Brenda Whitt is proud to have held the distinct honor and privilege of serving as the final Cannel City principal.

Who says you can't go home again? On the night of December 7, 2006, there were many former Cannel City Raiders who did just that.

Next fall, Cannel City school, built by local people employed by the Works Progress Administration (WPA) in the 1930s, will close after this term and students will be transferred to the new Morgan Central Elementary at Greear.

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Has This Property Been Used As A Meth Lab?

The U.S. Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration, has developed a register that lists the addresses of locations where law enforcement agencies have reported finding chemicals or other items that indicate the property is (or has been) used as a meth lab or dumpsite. The site can be viewed at <http://www.dea.gov/seizures/index.html>.

The DEA cautions the user of this site that the listing is not complete nor have they verified that the information is accurate. They only list what is reported to them by local and state law enforcement. Therefore questions about a listed property should be directed to local law enforcement.

This register can be of some use to potential purchasers and renters. Farmers who lease land may also find the information helpful. The chemicals, residue, and toxic trash left behind by lab operators can be dangerous to humans and animals as well as soil and ground water. Clean up and decontamination of the land

may be necessary to insure the health and well-being of future residents.

Children, frail elderly, and others in compromised health situations are particularly vulnerable to the effects of chemical and production toxins.

Presently, there is limited financial assistance available to help clean up or decontaminate these properties. There are very few private companies equipped or trained in reclamations of this sort. Guidelines for such clean up are also inconsistent and unclear. Kentucky law makers will be considering HB 94, introduced by Rep. Tanya Pullin, (Greenup County), which addresses some of these issues. If the bill passes and becomes law there will still be a need to allocate or locate funds to meet the provisions of the bill.

In Morgan County, contact the Morgan County Extension office at 743-3292 for more information about "Has This Property Been Used As A Meth Lab?"

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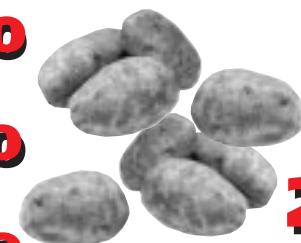
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Groundhog Day's traditional weather lore has European roots

(Adapted from "Groundhog Day: 1886 to 1992" by Bill Anderson; information is from www.groundhogday.org.)
 Groundhog Day, tomorrow, Feb. 2, is a popular tradition in the United States. It is also a legend that traverses centuries, its origins clouded in the mists of time with ethnic cultures and animals awakening on specific dates. Myths such as this tie our present to the distant past when nature did, indeed, influence our lives. It is the day that the Groundhog comes out of his hole after a long winter sleep to look for his shadow.
 If he sees it, he regards it as an omen of six more weeks of bad weather and returns to his hole. If the day is cloudy and, hence, shadowless, he takes it as a sign of spring and stays above ground. The groundhog tradition stems from similar beliefs associated with Candlemas Day and the days of early Christians in Europe, and for centuries the custom was to have the clergy bless candles and distribute them to the people. Even then, it marked a milestone in the winter and the weather that day was important.
 According to an old English song:
 If Candlemas be fair and bright,
 Come, Winter, have another flight;
 If Candlemas brings clouds and rain,
 Go Winter, and come not again.



Photo from wikipedia.com
 Groundhogs are used to predict winter weather every Groundhog Day on Feb. 2.
 According to an old Scotch couplet:
 If Candlemas Day is bright and clear,
 There'll be twa (two) winters in the year.
 Another variation of the Scottish rhyme:
 If Candlemas day be dry and fair,
 The half o' winter to come and mair;
 If Candlemas day be wet and foul,
 The half of winter's gone at Yule.
 The Roman legions, during the conquest of the northern European tribes, supposedly brought this tradition to the Teutons, or Germans, who picked it up and concluded that if the sun made an appearance on Candlemas Day, an animal, the hedgehog, would cast a shadow, thus predicting six more weeks of bad weather, which they interpolated as the length of the "Second Winter." Pennsylvania's earliest settlers were Germans and they found

groundhogs to in profusion in many parts of the state. They determined that the groundhog, resembling the European hedgehog, was a most intelligent and sensible animal and therefore decided that if the sun did appear on Feb. 2, so wise an animal as the groundhog would see its shadow and hurry back into its underground home for another six weeks of winter.
 The Germans recited:
 For as the sun shines on Candlemas Day,
 So far will the snow swirl until the May.
 This passage may be the one most closely represented by the first Punxsutawney Groundhog Day observances because there were references to the length of shadows in early Groundhog Day predictions.
 Another Feb. 2 belief, used by American 19th century farmers, was:
 Groundhog Day - Half your hay.
 New England farmers knew that we were not close to the end of winter, no matter how cloudy Feb. 2 was. Indeed, Feb. 2 is often the heart of winter. If the farmer didn't have half his hay remaining, there may have been lean times for the cows before spring and fresh grass arrived.
 The ancient Candlemas legend and similar belief continue to be recognized annually on Feb. 2 due to the efforts of the Punxsutawney Groundhog Club.

Demand for ethanol poses challenges to pork industry

WASHINGTON, D.C., Jan. 10, 2007 – While expressing their support for the development and use of alternative and renewable fuels, the National Pork Producers Council (NPPC) and the Iowa Pork Producers Association (IPPA) in testimony before the Senate Agriculture Committee detailed pork producers' concerns with the rapid rise in ethanol demand.
 The organizations cited several challenges facing pork producers, including diminishing corn stocks, rising corn prices and issues with using distiller's grains – an ethanol by-product – in pig diets.
 A study by the Center for Agricultural and Rural Development (CARD) at Iowa State University found that current crude oil prices and government policies allow the ethanol industry to pay up to \$4.05 per bushel of corn. (The ethanol industry receives government subsidies of \$1.53 per bushel of corn and a blender's tax credit of \$0.51 per gallon of ethanol, and there's a federal mandate on ethanol production.)
 "These incentives have the ethanol industry growing at an almost unbelievable pace," said Gene Gourley, a pork producer and swine nutritionist from Webster City, Iowa, who testified on behalf of NPPC and IPPA.

"New plants are springing up everywhere, and they're using a lot of corn."
 Several sources, including the Renewable Fuels Association, forecast large increases in corn usage by the ethanol industry in the next year. Former USDA grain economist William Tierney predicts that the annual usage rate will be more than 10 billion bushels by the end of 2009 if all of the ethanol plants currently under construction or planned come on line. Currently, the U.S. pork industry uses about 1.1 billion bushels of corn, and the entire livestock industry uses more than 6 billion bushels. In 2006, corn growers produced 10.7 billion bushels. The CARD study estimated that corn use by the ethanol industry would reduce corn availability for livestock feed by 33 percent, causing reductions in the size of the U.S. pork and poultry industries.
 With regard to distiller's grains (DDGS), Gourley told the committee that there are a number of issues related to feeding them to pigs, including inconsistent quality, variability of nutrient content and the potential presence of mycotoxins. He pointed out that DDGS are far more useful in diets for beef and dairy cattle, meaning those producers are willing to pay more for them.

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 When you thought I wasn't looking I heard you say a prayer, and I knew there is a God I could always talk to and I learned to trust in God.
 When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you make a meal and take it to a friend who was sick, and I learned that we all have to help take care of each other.
 When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you give of your time and money to help people who had nothing and I learned that those who have something should give to those who don't.
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night and I felt loved and safe.
 When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you take care of our house and everyone in it and I learned we have to take care of what we are given.
 When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw how you handled your responsibilities, even when you didn't feel good and I learned that I would have to be responsible when I grow up.
 When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw tears come from your eyes and I learned that sometimes things hurt, but it's all right to cry.
 When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw that you cared and I wanted to be everything that I could.
 When you thought I wasn't looking, I learned most of life's lessons that I need to know to be a good and productive person when I grow up.
 When you thought I wasn't looking, I looked at you and wanted to say, "Thanks for all the things I saw when you thought I wasn't looking."
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 President Dwight D. Eisenhower founded the organization in 1956 in hopes that different cultures could come together in peace and friendship. During Lauren's travels she will be meeting their government officials, staying a few days with a host family, visiting their schools and learning their culture. It is a great honor to be one of the students representing Morgan County as a Student Ambassador. We are very proud of her accomplishments.

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 The class is part of the Technology Management Completer Degree Program from MSU's department of industrial and engineering technology.

Additional information is available by calling MSU at Mt. Sterling at 859-499-0780 or 866-870-0809; MSU at Ashland at 606-327-1777 or 800-648-5370; MSU at Prestonsburg at 606-886-2405 or 800-648-6372; MSU at West Liberty at 606-743-1500 or 800-648-5371; or MSU at Morehead at 606-783-2418.

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Morgan hunters harvest 957 deer, 44 turkeys in '06

Morgan County hunters harvested 957 deer during 2006, according to the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, slightly more than in 2005 when the number of deer reported killed was 948.

The largest deer harvest in Morgan County occurred in 2004, when hunters reported 1,140 legal kills.

Of the deer killed in Morgan last season, 535 were bucks and 422 were does.

The breakdown of kills by type of hunting weapon shows that bowhunters accounted for 64 deer, modern firearms hunters killed 695, muzzleloader hunters took 183, and crossbow hunters harvested 15.

Morgan's 2006 deer harvest exceeded harvests in each contiguous county except Lawrence County, where hunters harvested 1,596 deer.

The harvest in other adjoining counties was Wolfe, 358; Elliott, 521; Menifee, 404; Magoffin, 362; Rowan, 653, and Johnson, 548.

Kentucky's total 2006 deer harvest reported by the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources was 122,196 of a total deer population estimated to be 900,000.

Only 44 wild turkey kills were reported in Morgan County in

2006, of which 34 were taken with shotguns, 8 by bowhunters. One kill was with a muzzleloader and one with a crossbow. Nineteen of the turkey killed were males and 25 were hens.

Child abuse - A matter of fact

When reporting child abuse or neglect there is information which the reporter should be able to give to the child service worker who takes the report. Examples of that information are as follows: The name and address of the child you suspect is being abused or neglected. The exact or approximate age of the child. Is the child a boy or girl? The name and address of the parent or caretaker of the child. The reason you suspect the child is being abused or neglected. Any other information which may be helpful to the investigation. You may remain anonymous, but you may give your name if you wish.

It is helpful if you provide as much of the above listed information as possible. You should not hesitate to report if you do not have all the information. Any uncertainty regarding whether to report should be resolved in favor of the child's protection.

To cause a report of child abuse or neglect to be made, or to obtain information on how to help prevent it, please call out hotline number at 1-800-468-8920

Letters

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

January 20, 2007
Dear Editor,
Once again it is time to renew my subscription to my hometown paper. I look forward to reading the newspaper every week.

I would like to say "hello" to my friends and family in Morgan County, especially my brother, Glenn Wright.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Jan. 19, 2007
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WORDS OF WISDOM
Education is the best provision for old age. - Wanda Landowski

Blood drive at Community Ctr. Thurs, Feb. 8

You don't have to leap from tall buildings to be a hero. Donating blood or platelets saves lives. Your donation could help save as many as three local patients who need you to be their hero. It doesn't take superhuman powers to perform a superhuman act. All you need to do is donate blood or platelets.

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Independent Auditor's Report

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, and each major fund of Morgan County, Kentucky, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2006, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Morgan County Fiscal Court. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the Audit Guide for Fiscal Court Audits issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

As described in Note 1, Morgan County, Kentucky, prepares its financial statements on a prescribed basis of accounting that demonstrates compliance with the modified cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, and each major fund of Morgan County, Kentucky, as of June 30, 2006, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated September 27, 2006 on our consideration of Morgan County, Kentucky's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Respectfully submitted,

Crit Luallen

Crit Luallen
Auditor of Public Accounts

Audit fieldwork completed -
September 27, 2006

State law requires the Auditor of Public Accounts to annually audit fiscal courts, county clerks, and sheriffs; and print the results in a newspaper having general circulation in the county. The complete audit and any other audit of state agencies, fiscal courts, county clerks, sheriffs, property valuation administrators may be viewed in the reports section of the Auditor of Public Accounts' website at www.auditor.ky.gov or upon request by calling 1-800-247-9126.

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NBC 3	News	NBC	Fortune	Jeo-	1 vs. 100		Las Vegas		Law & Order		News	Tonight
CBS 4	News	News	Fortune	Jeo-	Ghost Whisperer		Commercials		NUMB3RS		News	Late
ABC 6	News	ABC	Enter-	Jim	Grey's Anatomy		20/20		20/20		News	Night-
PBS 7	Math	Busi-	News-Lehrer	Com-	Group		Wash	NOW	Power of Choice: Life		News	
NBC 8	News	NBC	Inside	Extra	1 vs. 100		Las Vegas		Law & Order		News	Tonight
WGN 9	Home	Home	Shocking Mom.		Shocking Mom.		Shocking Mom.		News	Funnist	Sex &	Scrubs
FOX 11	Simp-	My Wife	Friends	Simp-	Nanny 911		Trading Spouses		News	Friends	Friends	Seinfeld
CBS 12	News	News	Legends	King	Ghost Whisperer		Commercials		NUMB3RS		News	Sports
TBS 13	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Ray-	Ray-	10 Things I Hate About You				** 1/2 A Knight's Tale (2001)			
ENC 14	*** Edward Scissorhands (1990)				*** Hitch (2005)				** 1/2 The Devil's Advocate (1997)			
FAM 15	Everwood		Smallville		*** Steel Magnolias (1989)				Whose?		The 700 Club	
LIFE 16	Reba	Reba	Still	Still	Reba	Reba	Obsessed (2002)		Will		Will	
A&E 17	Crossing Jordan	CSI: Miami			CSI: Miami				CSI: Miami		CSI: Miami	
SHOW 19	** 1/2 Sahara (2005)		** 1/2 The Zodiac (2005)		The L Word				Masters of Horror		Boxing	
DISN 20	Life	Raven	Mon-	Suite	Mon-	Cory	Kronk's New Groove		Emperor	Suite	Raven	
MAX 21	Doom	Animal House			** 1/2 Just Friends (2005)				The Shawshank Redemption			
HBO 22	Racing	King	Inside the NFL		Rome		Rome		Rome		Extras	Un-
AMC 24	** 1/2 Hellfighters (1968)	Cont'd			** Volcano (1997)				*** The Towering Inferno (1974)			
USA 25	Law Order: CI	Law Order: CI	Law & Order: SVU		Monk		Psych		House			
DSC 26	It Takes a Thief	Man vs. Wild			Dirty Jobs		Dirty Jobs		Dirty Jobs		Stunt	Stunt
ESPN 27	SportsCenter		NBA		NBA Basketball: Nets at Magic				NBA Basketball			
TNT 32	Law & Order	Law & Order			*** Drumlaine (2002)				*** Drumlaine (2002)			
SCI 33	Stargate SG-1	Heroes			Jake 2.0		Jake 2.0		Jake 2.0		Jake 2.0	

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NBC 3	News	NBC	Fortune	Jeo-	Dateline NBC		Law & Order: SVU		Law Order: CI		News	SNL
CBS 4	News	News	Fortune	Jeo-	CSI: Miami		Without a Trace		48 Hours Mystery		News	
ABC 6	ABC	News	Ent. Tonight		Sports Bloop.		Anchorman: Legend of Ron		News		Without	
PBS 7	Lawrence Welk	Crater	Red	Ky Life	Ken-	Nature			Singing River		Austin City Limits	
NBC 8	News	NBC	Idol Rewind		Dateline NBC		Law & Order: SVU		Law Order: CI		News	SNL
WGN 9	Idol Rewind	Funnist	Funnist		Shocking Behavior		WGN News		NBA Basketball: Bulls at Trail Blazers			
FOX 11	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	My Wife	Ray-	Cops	Cops	Mad TV					
CBS 12	WYMT	News	King	Deskins	CSI: Miami		Without a Trace		48 Hours Mystery		WYMT	Sports
TBS 13	Father of the Bride Part II				** 1/2 Legally Blonde (2001)				** 1/2 Overboard (1987)			
ENC 14	*** A Lot Like Love (2005)				*** National Treasure (2004)				** Rambo: First Blood Part II (1985)			
FAM 15	** 1/2 Matilda (1996)				Scoby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed				Scoby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed			
LIFE 16	Lies My Mther		Nora Roberts' Angels Fall (2007)		** 1/2 Christina's House (2000)				Medium			
A&E 17	Sell	Spender	Sell	Sell	Flip This House		Flip This House		The First 48		American Justice	
SHOW 19	Lucky 13	Sham-		*** Rize (2005)			Boxing: Tomasz Adamek vs. Chad Dawson		L Word			
DISN 20	Emperor	Raven	Mon-	Suite	Replace	Dragon	The Color of Friendship		Raven	Suite	Raven	
MAX 21	*** War of the Worlds (2005)				** The Dukes of Hazzard (2005)				** Running Scared (2006)			
HBO 22	** 1/2 Roll Bounce (2005)				** 1/2 King Kong (2005)				Rome			
AMC 24	*** Volcano (1997)	Cont'd			** 1/2 Ladder 49 (2004)				** 1/2 Lake Placid (1999)			
USA 25	Monk		Psych		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		House	
DSC 26	Stunt Junkies	MythBusters			Expedition to		Combat Zone		Futureweapons		How	How
ESPN 27	SportsCenter				College GameDay		College Basketball				SportsCenter	
TNT 32	** John Q (2002)				*** Remember the Titans (2000)				Remember the Titans			
SCI 33	Final Destination		** 1/2 Final Destination 2 (2003)		The Hollow (2004)				Legion of Dead			

TUESDAY EVENING February 6												
	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
NBC 3	News	NBC	Fortune	Jeo-	Dateline NBC		Law Order: CI		Law & Order: SVU		News	Tonight
CBS 4	News	News	Fortune	Jeo-	NCIS		The Unit		The Unit		News	Late
ABC 6	News	ABC	Enter-	Jim	Home Videos		Primetime		Boston Legal		News	Night-
PBS 7	GED	Busi-	News-Lehrer		American Exp.		At Close Range		Globe Trekker		Assem-	News
NBC 8	News	NBC	Inside	Extra	Dateline NBC		Law Order: CI		Law & Order: SVU		News	Tonight
WGN 9	Home	Home	Home Videos		Funnist	Funnist	Funnist	Funnist	WGN News		Sex &	Scrubs
FOX 11	Simp-	My Wife	Friends	Simp-	American Idol		House		News		Friends	Seinfeld
CBS 12	News	News	Legends		NCIS		The Unit		The Unit		News	Late
TBS 13	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Ray-	Ray-	Ray-	Ray-	Sex &	Sex &	Friends	Friends	Sex &	Sex &
ENC 14	Blath	Free Willy 3: The Rescue			Addicted to Love		Sleeping with the Enemy		Corrup-			
FAM 15	7th Heaven		Smallville		*** Rush Hour (1998)				Lincoln Heights		The 700 Club	
LIFE 16	Reba	Reba	Still	Still	Reba	Reba	Cruel Intentions 3 (2004)		Will		Will	
A&E 17	Crossing Jordan	CSI: Miami			CSI: Miami		Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog	King	King
SHOW 19	** 1/2 Donnie Darko (2001)				Push (1997)				Masters of Horror		The L Word	
DISN 20	Phil	Raven	Phil	Suite	** 1/2 Johnny Tsunami (1999)				Life	Phil	Suite	Raven
MAX 21	Walk	MAX			** 1/2 Scarface (1983)				Grandma's Boy		Busty	
HBO 22	Norbit	Star Wars: Episode II -- Attack of the Clones			The Sopranos		Bastards of the Party		Sports			
AMC 24	** Black Dog (1998)				*** 1/2 Deliverance (1972)				Children of the Corn			
USA 25	Law & Order: SVU	Law Order: CI			Law & Order: SVU		** 1/2 The Bone Collector (1999)		Law CI			
DSC 26	It Takes a Thief	How	How		Really Big Things		Dirty Jobs		Dirty Jobs		Dirty Jobs	
ESPN 27	SportsCenter				College Basketball		College Basketball: LSU at Tennessee		SportsCenter			
TNT 32	Law & Order	Law & Order			Law & Order		The Closer		The Closer		Cold Case	
SCI 33	Stargate SG-1	Stargate SG-1			Stargate SG-1		Stargate SG-1		ECW		The Dresden Files	

SUNDAY EVENING February 4												
	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
NBC 3	News	NBC	Grease: You're		Grease: You're		Grease: You're		One That I Want		News	StarTrek
CBS 4	Kickoff	NFL Football: Super Bowl XLII -- Chicago Bears vs. Indianapolis Colts			Indianapolis Colts		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		News	Dan
ABC 6	ABC	News	Makeover: Home		Home Videos		** Old School (2003)		News		Neu-	
PBS 7	Work-	Garden	Keep	Summer	Time-	Served	Masterpiece Theatre		Legend		America	Book-
NBC 8	News	NBC	Grease: You're		Grease: You're		Grease: You're		One That I Want		News	Edition
WGN 9	Funnist	Funnist	Funnist	Funnist	Idol Rewind		Ult. Blackjack		News	Replay	Sex &	Scrubs
FOX 11	Be-	Thats	Simp-		*** X2: X-Men United (2003)				News		Free-	Motor
CBS 12	Kickoff	NFL Football: Super Bowl XLII -- Chicago Bears vs. Indianapolis Colts			Indianapolis Colts		Criminal Minds		WYMT		Late	
TBS 13	My Boys	My Boys	My Boys	My Boys	My Boys	My Boys	My Boys	My Boys	My Boys	My Boys	My Boys	
ENC 14	** Drop Dead Gorgeous (1999)				Deuce Bigalow: European		** Flightplan (2005)		The Vanishing			
FAM 15	** Summer Catch (2001)				** A Cinderella Story (2004)				** A Cinderella Story (2004)			
LIFE 16	The Good Girl		Bastard Out of Carolina		*** Black and Blue (1999)				Grey's Anatomy			
A&E 17	Cold Case Files		Cold Case Files		The First 48		The First 48		Intervention		Intervention	
SHOW 19	Winter	** 1/2 The X-Files (1998)			The Honeymooners				The L Word		The L Word	
DISN 20	Emperor	Raven	Mon-	Suite	*** Monsters, Inc. (2001)				Phil	Sadie	Suite	Raven
MAX 21	*** The Rock (1996)	Cont'd			** House of Wax (2005)				Caddyshack		Erotic	
HBO 22	** Fantastic Four (2005)				Rome		Rome		Extras		*** Jarhead (2005)	
AMC 24	** 1/2 Lake Placid (1999)				** 1/2 Ladder 49 (2004)				** Volcano (1997)			
USA 25	Monk		Monk		Monk		Monk		Monk		Law & Order: SVU	
DSC 26	Surgery Saved		Surgery Saved		Surgery Saved		Surgery Saved		Surgery Saved		Surgery Saved	
ESPN 27	Figure Skating: Euro Champ.				Figure Skating: U.S. Championships		Sports-	NFL	SportsCenter			
TNT 32	The Closer				The Closer		The Closer		The Closer			
SCI 33	Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters		The Dresden Files		The Dresden Files		Battlestar Gal	

WEDNESDAY EVENING										February 7		
	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
NBC 3	News 🇺🇸	NBC	Fortune	Jeo-	Friday Night Lights		Deal or No Deal		Medium 🇺🇸		News 🇺🇸	Tonight
CBS 4	News	News	Fortune	Jeo-	College Basketball:		S.C. at Kentucky		CSI: NY 🇺🇸		News	Late
ABC 6	News 🇺🇸	ABC	Enter-	Jim	Lopez	Knights	Lost		Lost 🇺🇸		News 🇺🇸	Night-
PBS 7	GED	Busi-	News-Lehrer		Jubilee		Supreme Court		Supreme Court		Assem-	News
NBC 8	News	NBC	Inside	Extra	Friday Night Lights		Deal or No Deal		Medium 🇺🇸		News 🇺🇸	Tonight
WGN 9	Home	Home	Home Videos		Home	Home	Becker	Becker	WGN News		Sex &	Sex &
FOX 11	Simp-	My Wife	Friends	Simp-	Bones 🇺🇸		American Idol		News 🇺🇸		Friends	Seinfeld
CBS 12	News	News	Ken-	King	College Basketball:		S.C. at Kentucky		CSI: NY 🇺🇸		News	Late
TBS 13	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Ray-	Ray-	Ray-	Ray-	Ray-	Ray-	King	King	Boat Trip	
ENC 14	*** 1/2 Pleasantville (1998) 🇺🇸 Cont'd				** The Vanishing (1993) 🇺🇸				** 1/2 Proof (2005) 🇺🇸		S.	
FAM 15	7th Heaven 🇺🇸		Smallville 🇺🇸		*** 1/2 Back to the Future (1985) 🇺🇸				Whose?		The 700 Club 🇺🇸	
LIFE 16	Reba	Reba	Still	Still	Reba	Reba	** Fifteen and Pregnant (1998)		Will		Will	
A&E 17	Crossing Jordan		CSI: Miami 🇺🇸		CSI: Miami 🇺🇸		The Sopranos 🇺🇸		The Sopranos 🇺🇸		Dog	
SHOW 19	What Dreams May Come				Whirllygirl (2006) 🇺🇸				The L Word 🇺🇸		Boxing	
DISN 20	Mon-	Raven	Phil	Suite	*** Stuart Little (1999) 🇺🇸				Life	Phil	Suite	Raven
MAX 21	** 1/2 The Siege (1998) 🇺🇸				Home Alone 2: Lost in New York				** Running Scared (2006) 🇺🇸			
HBO 22	Roll Bounce			** 1/2 The Ringer (2005) 🇺🇸			Breach	Extras	Inside the NFL 🇺🇸		Rome 🇺🇸	
AMC 24	* 1/2 Children of the Corn (1994)				Halloween 4			Halloween 5: Revenge ...			Carrie	
USA 25	Law Order: Cl		Law Order: Cl		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law Order: Cl		Law Order: Cl	
DSC 26	It Takes a Thief 🇺🇸		MythBusters 🇺🇸		Futurecar		MythBusters 🇺🇸		MythBusters 🇺🇸		Futureweapons	
ESPN 27	SportsCenter 🇺🇸		College Basketball				College Basketball				SportsCenter 🇺🇸	
TNT 32	Without a Trace 🇺🇸		Without a Trace 🇺🇸		Without a Trace 🇺🇸		Without a Trace 🇺🇸		Without a Trace 🇺🇸		Las Vegas 🇺🇸	
SCI 33	Stargate SG-1		Roswell Crash: Startling New Evidence				Quest for Atlantis: Secrets					
									The SCI Fi Boys			

Williams Creek-Elkfork Community Church, Rt. 3, West Liberty, KY 41472, phone 522-4111 or 522-4591. Rev. Herbert Wright, pastor. Sunday radio service 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 7:00 pm. Wednesday prayer service 7:00 pm.

Brushy Fork Church, Caney, Ky. Services fourth Saturday at 1:00 pm and fourth Sunday at 10:00 am each month. Hobert Dunn, pastor.

West Liberty Church Of God, 568 Glenn Ave., West Liberty, KY 41472, phone 743-4161. Gary Fields, pastor. Parsonage: 743-2632. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday night 6:00 pm. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm Bible study for all age groups.

Hazel Green Christian Church, P.O. Box 66, Hazel Green, KY 41332. Bro. Lowell Fields, pastor. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am.

Catholic Church of the Good Shepherd, 525 Main St., Campton, KY. Phone 668-3731. Sunday Mass 11:30 am; Wednesday evening 5:30 pm.

Faith Baptist Church, Caney, KY 41402, phone 743-4966. parsonage phone 768-2415. Bro. Mick Harden, pastor. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday disciples group training service 5:00 pm. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Wednesday night mission friends, GA's, acteen's RA's, adult Bible study 6:00 pm.

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Cannel City First Church Of God, Cannel City, KY, phone 743-7395. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Wednesday evening 6:30 pm. Everyone welcome.

Zag Community Church, located 1 mile off KY-519 on KY- 976. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Wednesday Bible study 7:00 pm. Rev. Donald Cox, pastor. Everyone welcome.

Index Community Church, Rt. 1 Box 210, West Liberty, KY 41472 (intersection KY-191 & US-460), phone 743-4733. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday youth hour 6:30 pm. Sunday evening 7:00 pm. Wednesday prayer service 7:00 pm. Rev. Mike Frisby, pastor. Eddy Dennison, assistant pastor.

Sandy Hook United Methodist Church, Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Wednesday Bible study 7:00 pm. Rev. Warren Vanover, pastor. Everyone welcome.

Red River Community Church, Hazel Green, KY 41332, phone 662-6947. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Thursday prayer service 7:00 pm. Rev. Charles Glover, pastor.

Prince Of Peace Catholic Church, US-460, West Liberty, KY. Sunday mass 9:00 am. Father Jerry Dorn, pastor, 581 Glenn Ave., phone 743-4817.

Wells Union Baptist Church, Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Tuesday Bible study 6:00 pm. Jimmy Tharp, pastor.

Ophir Enterprise Baptist Church, approximately 10 miles up KY-1260 off KY-172. Services first weekend each month. Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Every Sunday 11:00 am. No services fourth weekend. Bro. Bobby Fultz, pastor. Bro. Ronnie Wright, assistant pastor. Everyone welcome.

Pleasant Run House Of Prayer, Yocum, KY. Sunday School 10:30 am. Sunday morning 1:00 pm. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm. Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Raymond Barker, pastor. Everyone welcome.

Helechawa Community Church, located on KY-191. Thursday evening 6:00 pm. Sunday evening 7:00 pm. Everyone welcome to come and worship the Lord.

Sulphur Springs Church, Crockett, KY, KY-172. Third weekend of each month and all odd weekends. Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Bro. Chris Baldwin, pastor. Bro. Bob Williams, assistant pastor. Everyone welcome.

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Pekin Pentecostal Church, Wednesday evening 7:00 pm. Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday School 10:00 am, morning worship 11:00 am. Pastor Sammy Vancleave, 743-7255 Everyone invited.

West Liberty Christian Church, 304 Prestonsburg St. (corner of Prestonsburg and Court Street), phone (606) 743-4356, parsonage (606) 743-4355. Paul Casteel, minister. Matthew Riley, youth minister. Junior church and wee church 11:00 am. High school and middle school youth group Wednesday evening and Sunday evening 7:00 pm.

Ezel First Church Of God, Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Youth group Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Sunday evening 7:00 pm. Youth church service third Sunday each month 7:00 pm.

Stillwater Holiness Church, 3-1/2 miles north of Campton on KY-191. Thursday evening 7:00 pm. Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Patricia Crider, pastor.

Bear Pen Worship Center, Sunday morning 10:45 am. Sunday School 6:30 pm. Wednesday evening 6:30 pm. Wednesday youth meeting 6:30 pm. David Spencer, pastor. Phone 668-3351.

Blaze Community Church, Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm. Vernon Dale Lewis, pastor. Everyone invited.

Calvary Baptist Church, KY-191, Cannel City, KY. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm. Harry B. Helton, pastor.

Campton Baptist Church, Sunday School 9:45 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 7:00 pm. Wednesday prayer service 7:00 pm. Pastor Gary Conner. Parsonage phone: 668-3499

Hazel Green Church Of God, KY-1010 East. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning and children's church 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm. Charlie Brewer, pastor, wife Wavelene Brewer.

Concord Enterprise Baptist Church, KY-32 eight miles west of Sandy Hook. Every fourth Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Every Sunday, Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Wednesday prayer meeting 7:00 pm. Rev. Ricky Lewis, pastor.

West Liberty Church Of Christ, Sunday Bible study 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Wednesday Bible study for all ages 7:00 pm. Paul Balch, minister. Phone 743-2132.

Campton First Church Of God, Sunday School 9:45 am. Sunday morning 10:45 am. Sunday evening 6:30 pm. Wednesday prayer service 7:00 pm.

Laurel Gorge Enterprise Baptist Church, Youth services Friday 7:00 pm. Every third Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday School 9:45 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Wednesday prayer meeting 7:00 pm. Rev. Bill Rice, pastor. Virgil F. Gillum, assistant pastor.

Full Gospel Tabernacle, Top of Slade Hill where Jesus is Alpha and Omega. Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday evening 7:00 pm. Tuesday evening 7:00 pm. Rev. Ralph Banks, pastor. Everyone welcome.

Grassy Lick Baptist Church, Grassy Creek, KY 41352. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:30 pm. Wednesday evening Bible study 7:00 pm. Kenneth Gevedon, pastor. Vernon Stacy, assistant pastor. James Tyra, assistant pastor.

Quilrens Church Of God, Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Lester Spencer, pastor. Phone 668-6435.

Abundant Life Full Gospel Church, 849 Broadway St., West Liberty, KY. Phone 743-1549. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Thursday evening 7:00 pm. Bro. Donnie Wheeler, pastor.

New Beginnings Church of God, off Hwy 519, Blevins Rd. Phone 606-743-1224. Sunday School 10:00 am, morning worship 11:00 am, Sunday evening 7:00 pm. Thursday 7:00 pm. Pastor Ruford Abner

Callaboose Community Church, Off KY-746 near Campton. Sunday morning 10:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Raymond Brewer, pastor.

West Liberty Mennonite Church, located off Circle Dr. Wells Hill. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Darel Fyffe, pastor emeritus. Elder James Fyffe, 743-1567. Elder Steve Stoltzfus, 743-4195.

Faith Hills Mennonite Church, KY-172, Crockett, KY 41413. Sunday morning 9:30 am. Sunday evening second and fourth Sunday each month 7:00 pm, the fourth Sunday being song service. Wednesday prayer service 7:00 pm. Everyone welcome.

West Liberty United Methodist Church, corner of Main and Prestonsburg St. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening Bible study 7:00 pm. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm. UMW first Tuesday each month. Rev. Ken Jett, pastor, phone 743-3519.

Trent First Church Of God, Rt. 1, Campton, KY 41301. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:30 pm. Wednesday prayer service 7:00 pm. David Stamper, pastor.

Christian Faith Church Of Freedom, Murphy Fork. Every Saturday evening 6:00 pm. Todd Kidd, pastor.

Woodsbend Community Church, KY-705 North. Phone (606) 743-3580. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Children's church 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Wednesday evening family night ministries 7:00 pm.

Assembly Of Faith Church, seven miles north of West Liberty on KY-519. Sunday morning 10:30 am. Sunday evening 6:30 pm. Thursday evening 7:00 pm. Harold Davis, pastor. Phone 743-4555.

Campton United Methodist Church, phone 668-3229. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 10:55 am. Sunday evening 7:00 pm. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm. choir 7:45 pm. Rev. David Gross, pastor.

Isonville Primitive Baptist Church, Isonville, KY. Phone 738-5816. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Christopher K. Harper, pastor. Everyone welcome.

West Liberty First Baptist Church, Sunday School 9:45 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Children's church 11:00 am nursery provided. Sunday evening youth group 6:00 pm. Sunday evening 7:00 pm. Wednesday prayer meeting 7:00 pm. David Cook, pastor. Phone 743-3722.

Bigwoods Community Church, HC-75, Wellington, KY. 40387. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Wednesday Bible hour 7:00 pm. Phone 768-3456. Rev. Jess Brewer, pastor.

New Salem Church, Moon, KY. 1/4 mile off KY-172 on KY-1715. Every third Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Weekly Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Bro. James Wallin, pastor. Bro. Shane Ison, assistant pastor. Everyone welcome.

Lick Branch Enterprise Baptist Church, two miles off US-460 up Old KY-172. Every fourth weekend of each month. Saturday night business 6:30 pm. Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday morning 10:30 am. Every Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Bro. Joe O. Jenkins, pastor. Everyone welcome.

Neal Howards Creek Community Church, Tuesday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Every third Thursday ladies and men's meeting 7:00 pm. Dean Lewis, pastor. Everyone welcome.

Newcombe Valley First Enterprise Baptist Church, Isonville, KY. First Saturday each month 7:00 pm. Weekly Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 10:45 am. Ladies Bible study/prayer group Wednesday 1:00 pm. Mike Adkins, pastor. Darrell O'Hare, assistant pastor.

Tar Ridge Church Of God, Wolfe County. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 10:45 am. Sunday evening 6:30 pm. Wednesday prayer service 7:00 pm. Bro. Adam Hays, pastor.

New Hope Baptist Church, Gordon Ford. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 7:00 pm. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm. Bro. George Oney, pastor.

Church Of Free Worship, Thursday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday School 11:00 am. Sunday morning 12:00 noon. Stanley Rigbsy, pastor. Everyone welcome.

Old 519 Full Gospel Church, Saturday evening 6:00 pm. Sunday evening 6:00 pm.

Tom's Branch Community Church, KY-772, West Liberty, KY. Sunday morning 11:00 am; Sunday evening Bible Study 7:00 pm; Thursday evening service 7:00 pm; every third Saturday evening fellowship dinner 5:00 pm and church service at 7:00 pm. Everyone welcome. Pastor Jeff Montgomery, Assistant Pastor Woody Bowman.

White Oak Christian Church Disciples Of Christ, White Oak, KY 41474, phone 743-4127. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am.

Ezel Church Of God, Ezel, KY 41425, phone 725-5721.

Lee City First Church Of God, Lee City, KY, phone 662-6221. Sunday morning 10:30 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Rev. Stanley Burnett, pastor. Everyone welcome.

Centerville Community Church, Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Harry Flannery, pastor.

Vortex Pentecostal Church, Thursday evening 7:00 pm. Rev. Leonard Cole, pastor.

Grace Baptist Church, Malone, KY. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday discipleship training 5:00 pm. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Wednesday Bible study 6:00 pm. Bro. Mike Lindon, pastor.

Redbush Enterprise Baptist Church, Redbush, KY. Second Saturday evening each month 6:00 pm. Weekly Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm every third Sunday. Bro. Gerald Fyffe, pastor.

Hope Enterprise Baptist Church, KY-650, Doctor's Branch, Sandy Hook, KY. Every second Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Weekly Sunday School 9:45 am. Sunday morning 10:30 am. Tuesday evening prayer meeting 7:00 pm. Ronnie Mayse, pastor.

Hilltop Apostolic Church, KY-7 past Bruin. Tuesday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday morning 10:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Darrell Gallihue, pastor.

Victory Christian Center, Elliott County on Blaine's Trace Road off KY-486. Sunday School 9:45 am. Sunday morning 10:30 am. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm. David Webb, pastor.

Sandfield Community Church, Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Wednesday Bible study 6:30 pm. Mike Brooks, pastor. Harold Stamper, assistant pastor.

Bethany Community Church, Bethany, KY. Sunday School 9:30 am. Sunday morning 10:30 am. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm. Dana Wendel, pastor. Ernest Martin, youth pastor. Phone 668-3703.

Broadway First Church Of God, West Liberty, KY 41472, phone 743-3759. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Bro. Jessie Rogers, pastor.

Lacy Creek Enterprise Baptist Church, Lacy Creek, KY. Second weekend each month. Saturday evening 6:30 pm. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Every Sunday evening 6:30 pm. Bro. Tim Jenkins, pastor.

The House Of Jesus Christ, Rt. 706, Rocky Branch Rd, Sandy Hook. Welcomes everyone to services on Saturdays at 4:00 pm and Sundays at 4:00 pm. Pastor Larry Jones. Phone 784-2299

Apostolic Church Of Jesus Christ, Lytten, KY. Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday morning 10:30 am. Sunday evening 7:00 pm. Denzil B. Fannin, pastor. Phone 738-6384.

Grassy Creek Pentecostal Church, Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Johnnie Davis, pastor.

Vision Baptist Church, Rogers, KY, KY-2818, KY-715. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Scott Rogers, interim pastor.

Lacy Creek Church Of Christ, 2-1/2 miles off US-460 on KY-364, Cottle, KY. Phone 743-2380. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening youth service 6:00 pm. Thursday Bible study 7:00 pm. Jimmy Adkins, pastor. 743-3801. Elder Lawrence Kersey, 743-3291. Elder Dan Hittetpole, 743-3430. Elder Dr. James Frederick.

Words Of Encouragement Trinity Full Gospel Mission, Trace Branch, US-460, Magoffin County. Friday evening 7:30 pm. Sunday evening 6:00 pm.

Pine Grove Community Church, Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 7:00 pm. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm. Garrie Stamper, pastor.

Straight Creek Enterprise Baptist Church, Big Mandy Road off KY-650. Every third Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Every Sunday morning 11:00 am. Cortis Ison, pastor.

Catholic Church Of The Good Shepherd, 525 Main St., Campton, KY. Phone 668-3731. Sunday mass 12:30 pm. Wednesday evening 5:30 pm.

Countryside Community Church, KY-134, Johnson Fork. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Tuesday evening 7:00 pm. David Hinton, pastor.

Kernie Freewill Baptist Church, KY-134, Johnson Fork. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Butch Whitaker, pastor. Steve Arnett, assistant pastor.

Wallowhole Independent Baptist Church, Second Saturday evening each month 7:00 pm. Second Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Every Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Thursday prayer meeting 7:00 pm.

Spring Branch Baptist Church, 100 Spring Branch Rd., Campton, KY 41301. Pastor Ron Lucas, 606-668-9229. Sunday School, 10:00 am, Sunday morning worship, 11:00 am, Sunday night service, 6:00 pm. Wednesday night Bible Study, 7:00 pm.

Horton Flats Community Baptist Church, 1.6 miles off KY-7 on KY-3353, Horton Flats Road. Sunday School 9:30 am. Sunday morning 10:30 am.

Wrigley Baptist Mission, KY-7, Wrigley, KY. Sunday morning fellowship 9:45 am. Sunday School 10:00 am (classes for every age plus deaf class). Sunday morning 11:00 am. Wednesday Bible study 6:30 pm. Everyone welcome.

Fannin Enterprise Baptist Church, KY-557 (Ruin Road), Sandy Hook, KY. First Saturday evening each month at 7:00 pm. Every Sunday morning at 10:30 am. Wednesday prayer meeting 7:00 pm. George Stafford pastor and Jason Ison assistant pastor.

Crockett Community Church, Services every Wednesday at 7:00 pm. Every third Saturday at 7:00 pm. Every third Sunday, 11:00 am. Pastor Boyd Smith, Assistant Pastor Jessie Smith.

Campton Christian Church, 312 Main St., Campton, KY 41301, phone 606-362-9277. Sunday morning 11:00 am; Tuesday Bible study, 6:30 pm. Minister: Will Cooper. Website: www.camptonchristianchurch.org

Hazel Green Baptist Mission, Hazel Green Academy Campus. Sundays at 5:00 pm. Pastor, Lewis Faulkenberry, 606-662-6907 *Showing God's Love by Loving God's People.*

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The duck at the park: The rest of the story

By Sandra Kellogg
As Paul Harvey says . . . Now for the rest of the story.

When I was a youngster, my family often traveled into Elliott County and as soon as we crossed the county line, it felt to me like we were entering a foreign country. The duck at Old Mill Park is from Elliott County, but originally, the Muscovy ducks are from South America/Mexico. Martha Thomas, one of my favorite people in my growing up years, used to tell me that anyone not from Morgan County was a foreigner, so I guess we can say the new addition that has caused such a stir among walkers and joggers at Old Mill Park is a foreigner for sure.



George at Old Mill Park

Internet says they adjust very well. They have feet that enable them to cling to trees, where ours loved to roost at night, if they hadn't gone to the woodpile on my front porch first, and they can fly great distances. One great asset is that they can fend for themselves, living off insects and other natural food if necessary (or neighbor Kermit Day's bird feeder) if I was away from home longer than planned.

Now, more about the duck on Licking River. George is the duck's name. He got it from a friend in Georgetown who taught him to eat out of his hand. Of all the ducks, it is the only one that would come close to people.

How do you tell the male from a female? The male makes a hissing sound, whereas the female makes a sound more like a coo.

Before ending, I must tell a story on myself. My daughter told me that when I was out of town visiting one of my sons, she discovered that the ducks loved to fly up on the roof and they could be heard walking all over the tin roof. She said that they might awaken me and scare me if I wasn't aware of it. One day, I was washing dishes and looked out the window just in time to see the ducks flying, just like geese, all the way from the back of my land, in formation and land on the roof. I got used to that duck walk sound.

One night, though, around 11:30, I was awakened to a sudden sound totally unknown to me that sounded like someone opened and closed my van door, which was parked beside my window. I thought I must be dreaming and returned to sleep. Thirty minutes later I definitely heard it

again, so I phoned 911 and said I must have a prowler. Forty-five minutes later, a state trooper came and walked around the house, but found nothing. I felt silly having called, but he said that was his duty. I told him to turn around out back, but he said he didn't want to disturb the beautiful ducks resting in the back yard.

The next morning I took some bread and feed out to the ducks, and they were all in the creek. As they quickly flew out of the creek, side by side, they sounded like a van door opening loudly. So now you know the rest of the story.

I'm sure George is very lonely. There are some of my ducks scattered on different ponds on Cow Branch, and someone told me that a duck was; heard near the river. So I have a suggestion. Let's add more Muscovys to Old Mill Park. Georgetown Park has the duck population for adults and kids to feed. The cost of a Muscovy duck is from \$3 to \$5, depending upon where you get them. They're harmless to children and enjoyable to us old folks. Just don't hurt them, although when properly prepared, they make a great meal.

Google offered tax breaks to fill closed plant in rural N.C.

Jan. 18 — The rural Piedmont of North Carolina and Virginia has been hit hard by a steep decline in the area's three traditional industries — furniture, tobacco and textiles. Now, as a Virginia company closes its last furniture plant, massive tax breaks are proposed to attract a \$600 million Google server hub to Lenoir, N.C., on the site.

"State and local governments could hand Google more than \$100 million in tax breaks over the next 30 years," Jreports Jonathan Cox of the Raleigh, N.C. News and Observer. "In exchange, the company that runs the world's largest search engine would build a hub in this foothills community for its massive international computer network and hire 210 people." The company's investment would equal about half the tax base of Lenoir.

Cox reports that many residents are unsure about just what Google and a "server farm" are, who would work for it, and whether the tax breaks are appropriate. "People are expectant but hesitant," Dinell Clark, owner of

a new home-furnishings store in Lenoir, told Cox. "What do we get for that 30-year generosity?"

City and county governments have agreed to exempt Google from all business-property taxes and 80 percent of real-estate taxes for 30 years if Google locates in Caldwell County, formerly a furniture hub, which has 3,400 people on the unemployment rolls. State tax incentives would total about \$96 million.

—Ky. Institute for Rural Journalism

Turn Right And Then Go Straight

I was searching for a business In a town I'd never been, And I asked a man directions How to find the store, and then He pointed to the corner, And with a friendly smile he said, "You're near it, mate. Go to the corner at the church, Turn right and then go straight." And you know, I got to thinking, As I thanked him courteously, Those were really good directions That this stranger gave to me. If you want to reach the kingdom, And I feel we're at the gate, Go to the church on the corner, Turn right and then go

straight. For you know our Jesus told us That the road's a narrow way; And straight's the gate we enter in On that bright and glorious day. And few there are who find it, Or who've walked that narrow road, There's not many who are willing To let Jesus take their load. For the attitudes, "I'll do it, I'd rather carry all the weight; My lifestyle's not conducive to Turn right and go straight." But if Heaven is your homeland And you're hoping to go home; And you're tired of all the roaming In a place that's not your home, And for our Lord you're looking And you can hardly wait, Then brothers, sisters, here's directions — Turn right, then go straight! —Patricia A. Grimes (Submitted by Carol Finch Adkins)

THE LICKING VALLEY COURIER
Your Hometown Newspaper



WLES students participate in 4-H Demonstration Competition

Congratulations to West Liberty Elementary students, bottom row, Ryan Steele, 5th grade, first place; Amber Cantrell, Kaylee Rowe, 4th grade, first place; Kayln Henson. Back row, left to right, Savannah Jo Johnson, 4th grade, third place; Shelby Roe, and Ben Tyler Montgomery. Each child was chosen to represent their classroom at Morgan County's 4-H Demonstration Competition. Each child received participation ribbons, with winners receiving trophies and certificates for cash off 4-H camp this summer. The winners will also have the opportunity to compete at the District Level in the Spring. The winners brought their trophies home with doo goo cake, bird feeder, and easy cheesy omlet meal demonstrations.

NOT RAISING HOGS?

Hon. Secretary of Agriculture Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir,

My friend, Dan Hansen, over at Honey Creek, Iowa, received a check for \$1,000 from the government for not raising hogs. So I want to go into the "not raising hogs" business next year.

What I want to know is, in your opinion, what is the best kind of farm not to raise hogs on? And what is the best breed of hogs not to raise? I want to be sure that I approach this endeavor in keeping with all the government policies.

As I see it, the hardest part of "not raising hogs" program is keeping an accurate inventory of how many hogs I have not raised. My friend Hansen is very joyful about the future of the business. He has been raising hogs for 20 years or so, and the best he has ever made on them was \$422 in 1968, until this year when he got your check for the \$1,000 for not raising 50 hogs.

If I get \$1,000 for not raising 50 hogs, then would I get \$2,000 for not raising 100 hogs? I plan to operate on a small scale at first, holding myself to about 4,000 hogs not raised in the first year, which would bring in about \$80,000; then I can afford an airplane.

Now another thing — these hogs I will not raise will not eat

100,000 bushels of corn. I understand that the government also pays people not to raise corn and wheat. Would I qualify for payments for not raising these crops not to feed my hogs I will not be raising?

I want to get started as soon as possible, as this seems to be a good time of year for the "not raising hogs" and "not planting crops business."

Also, I am giving serious consideration to the "not milking cows" business and any information you would have on the endeavor would be greatly appreciated.

In view of the fact that I will be totally unemployed, I will be filing for unemployment and food stamps, and was wondering how long that process takes.

Be assured, Mr. Secretary, you will have my vote in the upcoming election

Patriotically yours,
John Doe

P.S. — Would you please notify me when you plan to give out that free government cheese again?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Anyone can carry his burden, however heavy, until nightfall. Anyone can do his work, however hard, for one day. Anyone can live sweetly, patiently, lovingly, purely, till the sun goes down and that is all that life really means.

— Robert Louis Stevenson

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- **Insight** -- This small group discusses the Upward Path to Christian Character as described in 2 Peter 1:3-11 and covers the definition and phases of a life-controlling problem, delusion and denial, walls of defenses, leveling, and ministry to one another.
- **Concerned Persons** -- Specifically targets families of those struggling with addictions and covers enabling, boundaries, co-dependency, as well as comfort, hope and letting go and letting God.
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Judge Executive Tim Conley, left, administers oath of office to E. T. Hall, center, and Linda Patrick, new members of the Morgan County Extension Board.

Extension board swears in new members at meeting

The Morgan County Extension District board met Jan. 23. Morgan County Judge Executive Tim Conley administered the oath of office to new members Linda Patrick and E.T. Hall, pictured above. Appreciation was noted for outgoing member Wanda Ward. The extension district board serves as the fiscal agent for the Morgan County Extension Service.

The officers for 2007 are Linda Patrick, chair; E.T. Hall, vice chair; Norma Smith, secretary; Susie Blevins, treasurer; and

Marie Franklin, Keith Holbrook and Judge Tim Conley, members.

Morgan County Extension District Board members are nominated by the Morgan County Extension Council, selected an approved by the Morgan County Judge Executive and fiscal court. Two new members are appointed annually. There is a limit on service time.

Service on the board is on a voluntary basis. Extension Service staff appreciate the dedication, time and expertise of these members.

State crackdown on welfare fraud continues; six indicted

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Jan. 19, 2007) – An investigation by the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) in the Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS) resulted in the indictment of six people on seven felony charges of public assistance fraud totaling over \$33,000.

“The Fletcher administration and the Cabinet for Health and Family Services continue to crack down on waste, fraud and abuse. The new methods for detecting fraud and abuse implemented during the past three years clearly are working,” said CHFS Secretary Mark D. Birdwhistell.

Jenny Konkle, who currently lives in Ohio but resided in Shelby County from May 2001 through June 2006, was indicted by a Shelby County Grand Jury on two counts of public assistance fraud. Konkle, 34, is accused of “devising a scheme with intent to defraud” in order to unlawfully receive \$16,062 in medical assistance, \$14,654 in food stamp benefits and \$2,427 from the Kentucky Transitional Assistance Program from July 2001 through May 2006. Konkle provided false information to the Department for Community Based Services (DCBS) regarding household income and the number of people residing with her. Konkle failed to report Anthony Rodriguez, the father of her children, was living in the household and his income.

Rodriguez, 40, of Cincinnati, Ohio, was also indicted and charged with one count of public assistance fraud when he “devised or planned a scheme” to allow Konkle to obtain benefits from an assistance program by means of false representation or was intentionally engaged in conduct that advanced the scheme.

In addition, four other people were indicted for complicity to public assistance fraud for providing false information to DCBS in order for Konkle to receive public assistance.

Glenna Gail Shuck, 60, Shelby County, was Konkle’s landlord and allegedly submitted false statements indicating Rodriguez was not living in the Konkle household.

Barbara Lewis, 33, Henry County, was a close friend of Konkle and allegedly submitted false statements indicating Konkle had no income and Rodriguez was not living in the Konkle household.

Barbara Ann Lewis, 66, Henry County, allegedly signed a household composition verification document that she knew to be false indicating Rodriguez was not living in the Konkle household.

Foreign companies outsourcing jobs to rural areas in U.S.

International companies are outsourcing jobs to the rural United States because of employees with relatively low wages, work ethic and flexible schedules. It is not unusual for companies to create jobs like call centers in smaller towns, but now higher-level jobs are being sent to rural areas, particularly from foreign businesses, reports Tim Huber of the Associated Press, quoting Harold Sirkin of Boston Consulting,

Williams Lea, a British outsourcing firm, created an of-

fice in Wheeling, W.Va. (pop. 31,419), that processes legal documents for Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, a law firm with 900 lawyers worldwide, reports Huber. Dave Pennino, the firm’s director of marketing, said that clients are dubious until they see that Wheeling has people, decent schools and access to Pittsburgh. He said that they are enthusiastic once they grasp the idea and the company hopes to attract clients by keeping sensitive information in the country. In a little over a year the Wheeling office has employed 37 people and the company hopes to eventually increase its staff to 120.

—Ky. Institute for Rural Journalism

Changes proposed to state hunter education law

At its quarterly meeting held on Dec. 8, the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission proposed modifications to the state’s mandatory hunter education law. Commission members also voted to open the ruffed grouse season sooner next year.

The commission recommends all hunting, fishing and boating regulations for approval by the General Assembly and approves all expenditures by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

Starting July 1, 2007, the commission is recommending that any youth hunter required to have a hunting license in Kentucky must obtain a hunter education course completion card before turning age 12. The current law requires a hunter to pass a state-approved hunter education course by age 10.

Under the new proposal, a hunter would be eligible to take the hunter education test at age 9, which gives the young hunter three years to successfully pass the

course if needed, before it is legally required.

The proposal would allow youngsters more time to take the free 10-hour course, which includes in-class and live fire instruction. Hunter education would remain mandatory before doing any type of hunting for anyone born on or after Jan. 1, 1975, and required to have a hunting license.

In related business, the commission also proposed that a new, \$5 one-time permit be available next July that would allow any hunter who is subject to hunter education law to be exempt for a one-year period after purchase.

This exemption permit would be available online only via the agency’s website. Those using the exemption permit would also be required to hunt only when accompanied by a legal, adult hunter. After the yearlong exemption expires, the hunter would then have to complete the hunter education course, obtain the card and carry in the field as

proof of complying with the hunter education law.

“The intent of these changes is to allow both adults and youth more opportunities to try hunting with a mentor before having to take hunter education,” said Bill Balda, hunter education supervisor for Kentucky Fish and Wildlife.

“If they try hunting and enjoy it, they could then complete the course and the time it takes to do so would be worthwhile. They may have even a better understanding of the materials after some actual experience in the field,” Balda added.

“Parents and students are very busy with many other interests, and we want to give those with an interest in hunting consideration in making time for hunting, and the hunting-related learning we now require,” Balda concluded.

The commission also proposed to begin the ruffed grouse season Nov. 1. This coincides with the opening of rabbit and quail season, and simplifies the regulation.

The next Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission meeting will be held at 8 a.m. Eastern

time, Friday, March 9, 2007 at #1 Sportsman’s Lane off U.S. 60 in Frankfort. Persons interested in addressing the commission must notify the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commissioner’s office in writing at least 30 days in advance to be considered for placement on the meeting agenda. People who are hearing impaired and plan to attend the meeting should contact the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife office at least 10 days in advance and the agency will provide a translator. To request to address the commission, write to Kentucky Fish and Wildlife, Commissioner Jon Gassett, #1 Sportsman’s Lane, Frankfort, KY 40601.

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Gives presentation in Philadelphia

Nicholas Lykins, Morehead State University senior from West Liberty, recently took part in the National Collegiate Honors Council held in Philadelphia. Lykins and Kentucky State University student Stacy St. John, left, gave a joint presentation on "Today's Society, Thoreau's Walden Pond and Honors Education: An Exploration of Intellectual Liberty." Lykins gave another presentation, "Noam Chomsky and the Grammar of Liberty," with Eastern Kentucky University. According to Dr. Marshall Chapman, director of MSU's George M. Luckey Honors Program, "These presentations show collaboration between Kentucky State University, Eastern Kentucky University, and Morehead State in a spirit of comradeship and cooperation."

Morgan hunters harvest 957 deer, 44 turkeys in '06

Morgan County hunters harvested 957 deer during 2006, according to the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, slightly more than in 2005 when the number of deer reported killed was 948.

Morgan County occurred in 2004, when hunters reported 1,140 legal kills.

Of the deer killed in Morgan last season, 535 were bucks and 422 were does.

The breakdown of kills by type of hunting weapon shows that bowhunters accounted for 64 deer, modern firearms hunters killed 695, muzzleloader hunters took 183, and crossbow hunters harvested 15.

Morgan's 2006 deer harvest

exceeded harvests in each contiguous county except Lawrence County, where hunters harvested 1,596 deer.

The harvest in other adjoining counties was Wolfe, 358; Elliott, 521; Menifee, 404; Magoffin, 362; Rowan, 653, and Johnson, 548.

Kentucky's total 2006 deer harvest reported by the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources was 122,196 of a total deer population estimated to be 900,000.

Only 44 wild turkey kills were reported in Morgan County in 2006, of which 34 were taken with shotguns, 8 by bowhunters. One kill was with a muzzleloader and one with a crossbow. Nineteen of the turkey killed were males and 25 were hens.

Growing At Grace

Due to icy roads, Grace Baptist Church's January 21, 2007 Sunday morning service was cancelled. We had service on Sunday evening with very few in attendance. When the service started, it was very comforting to hear the sweet voice of one of our deacons in prayer expressing the same feelings that all had felt that day. The consensus was unanimous, that when, for various reasons, we couldn't be there, we experienced a void in our day and felt we had missed something very precious. This is a very good example of things we take for granted, but should thank God for every day.

We were privileged to have two guest speakers in addition to Pastor Mike. Robert and Emily Bolin spoke on different but related subjects. They both told us about the missionary trips they have taken to Mexico. The people

to whom they minister are the poor who sustain life by scavenging in the city dump for anything they can find and recycle. They use food items, clothes, metals they can sell to recycling places, they build make-do houses from material found in the dumps and they live around the dump. Mexico has no social services, no health care for the poor, no welfare of any kind, so these people survive the only way they have.

The missionary trips the Bolins have taken are in connection with an organization called Middleman Ministries (the name taken from the middle man on the cross). This ministry helps the dump people by building two-room houses, giving them clean food, helping them in any way they are able, and ministering to them spiritually. They have a small church they are trying to expand, and they are trying to finish a church parsonage. The ministry is located in Brownsville, Texas and the church and parsonage in Matamoras, Tamaulipas, Mexico close to the dump. The pastor of the church, Francisco Quintero, used to live in Fort Knox, Kentucky and worked there as a cook but decided to return to Mexico to work for the benefit of these needy people. The need for money and volunteers to help this ministry is very great! If you have ever had an urge to help the needy, this would be a wonderful opportunity to serve the Lord and help His children.

If you want to find out more, they have a website, middlemanministries.org, or contact the Bolins.

The Bolins also are starting a non-denominational prayer band in this area to pray for and support missionaries. It is called Morgan County Area Missionary Prayer team. They will meet the

third Saturday of each month, 3 p.m. The meetings are now being held at Index Community Church. They want each church in Morgan County to participate.

Grace Baptist Church is located on Rt. 191 in Malone. We love having guests and everyone is welcome.

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